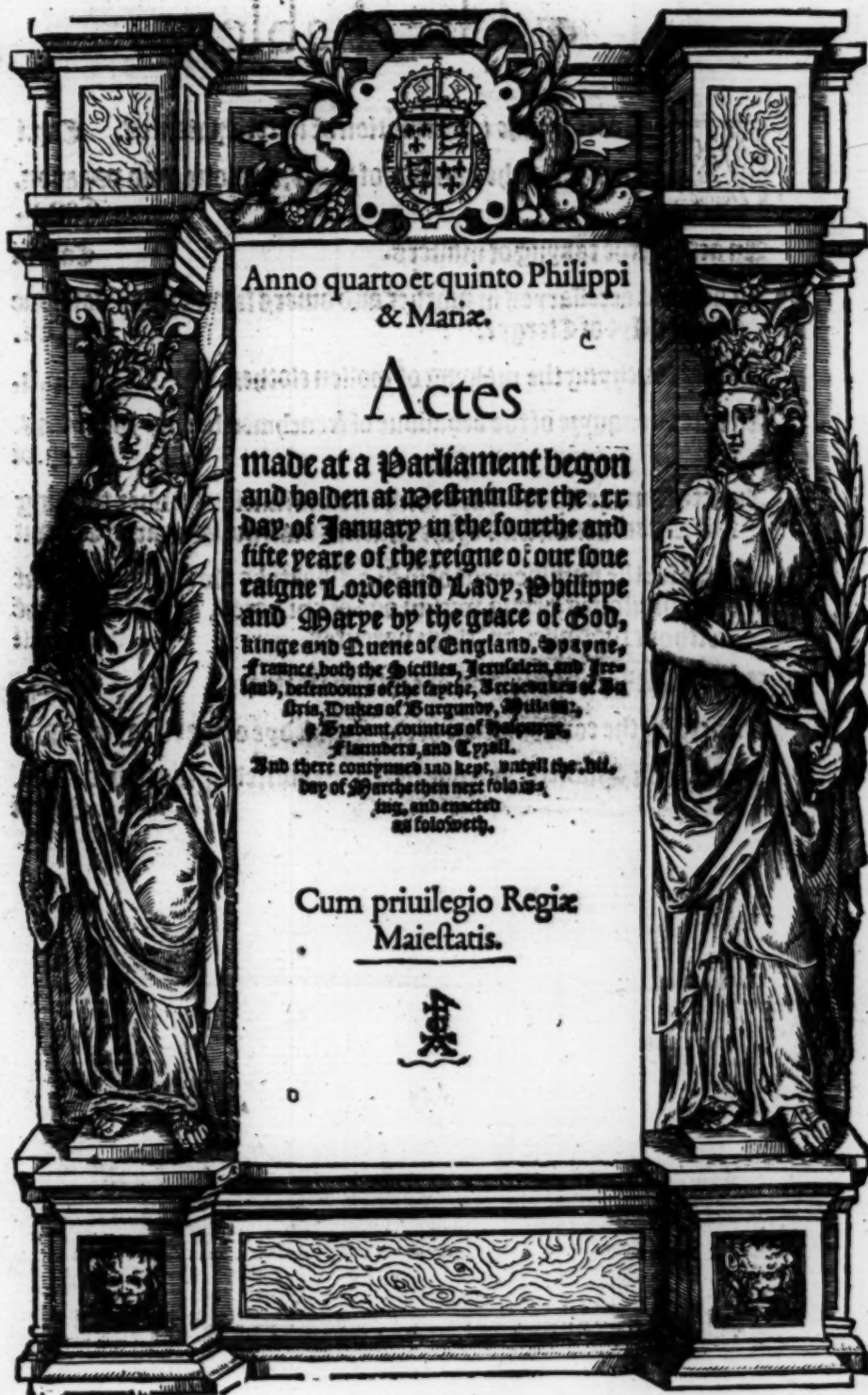


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Anno quarto et quinto Philippi
& Mariae.

Actes

made at a Parliament begon
and holden at Westminster the .xx.
day of January in the fourthe and
fifte yeare of the reigne of our sone
raigne Lorde and Lady, Philippe
and Marre by the grace of God,
kinge and Quene of England, Spayne,
France, both the Sicilies, Ierusalem, and Ierusalem,
defendours of the faphe, Archbishops of Be
Aris, Dukes of Burgandy, Milan,
& Sabant, counties of Hespaigne,
Flanders, and Tyroll.
And there conynned and kept, untill the .xiiij.
day of Marche then next folowynge,
and enacted
as foloweth.

Cum priuilegio Regiae
Maiestatis.



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**An Acte for the confirmation of Letters
Patentes.**



WHERE sythen the vij. daye of July in the first yere of the Quenes Maiesties reigne diuers and sondry honours, Castels, Manors, Landes Tenementes, Rentes, Reuертions, seruyces, & other hereditamentes, haue bene conueyed & assured to her highnes, her heires and Successours, by or from diuers and sondry persons, & bodies politike, as wel for þ discharge and satisfaction of great debtes, and summes of money, as for other good considerations. for the perspyte assurance confirmation & further suretye wherof.

Be it enacted ordeyned and establisshed by the king and Quenes Maiesties, the Lordes Spiritual and Temporal, and the commons in this present Parliament assembled, and by the auctoritie of þ same. That all feoffamentes, fynes, Surrenders, assurances, conueyances & estates in any wise conueied had or made, to or for our sayd soveraygne Lorde and Lady, the kyng & quenes Maiesties, or to or for our sayd soveraygne Lady the quene, by or from any such person or persons, bodies politike or corporate of any such honours, castels manours, lands, Tenements, Rentes, Reuертions, Seruyces, or other hereditamentes, for any debte, summe or summes of money or other consideration, whatsoeuer, shall stand remaine & be good and awayleable in the lawe to all intentes, constructions, & purposes, accordeynge to the true meanyng, intent and purporte of the same.

Saung to all and euery personne and personnes, and to their heires bodies politike and corporate, & to their Successours, and to euery of them, (other then such person or persons, and their heires and wyues, and euery of them bodies politike & corporate, and their Successours and euery of them, of or from whom, the kyng & quenes highnes, or the quenes hyghnes onely hath obteyned or purchased, the sayd premises, or any percell therof, by exchange, gyfte, bargain, fyne, feoffament, recovery, debt, inrolled or other wise) al such right title, interest, vse, possession, rentes, reuертions remainders, offices, fees, commons, profittes, & commodities, whatsoeuer which they or any of the haue might or ought to haue had of, in or to the premises or any part therof in as large & ample maner, forme and condition to all intentes constructions & purposes, as if this acte had neuer bene had ne made. This present act or any thing therein contei

ned to the contrary notwithstanding.

And where as wel our sayd soueraygne lord & Lady, as our saide soueraygne Lady the quenes highnes, sithes the said. vii. day of Iuly in the first yere of her maiesties reygne, as wel for diuers & greatesomes of monye, as also for diuers & soday other consideracions, haue & hath bargained, sold, giuen or graunted by their or her graces soday letters patentes indentures or other wytyngs, sealed vnder þ gret seale of England, or the seale of þ Duchy of Lancaster, as wel to bodies politike & corporate, as to diuers & soday other their louing & obedient subiects diuers & soday honors, castles, manors, lands, tenementes, reues, reueracions, seruices, & other hereditaments, in fee simple fee tayle, or for terme of life, lifes or yeares, as in the same general letters patentes, indentures, & other wytyngs, is mentioned and declared. And to thintent the same letters patentes, indentures and other wytynges, shoulde bee of good auayleable and perfitt force and effect, to al and euery her highnes loyng Subiectes, according to the true meaning and effect of the same.

Oure sayde Soueraygne Lorde and Ladye, the kynge and Quene, are contented and pleased, that it be enacted by chauntyty of this present parliament. And therefore by our sayde Soueraygn lord, and lady, the king and quenes maiesties, the lordes spiritual & temporal, & the commons in this present parliament assembled, be it enacted and established, þ as wel al and singuler letters patentes indentures and other wytynges sealed vnder the great Seale of England, or vnder the Seale of the Duchy of Lancaster, and heretofore made or graunted by our said Soueraygne lordes and lady, the king and quene, or by our said Soueraygn lady the quene, for anysomes of monye, or for and vpon other consideracions, as al other letters patentes, hereafter to be made by our said soueraygn lord & lady, for any summe or sumes of mony during the space of seven yeres next ensuyng the making of this act, to any body politike, or corporate or to any other persō or persons, whatsoener, of any honors, castles, manors, lordships, graunges, Meles, landes, tenementes, medowes, pastures, rentes, reueracions, seruices, woods, aduousons, nominations, patronages, annuities, rightes, interestes, entrees, condicions, letes, courtes, liberties priuileges, franchises, or of any other hereditamentes, with their appurtenaunces, or of any part or percel of the sealed with or vnder the great seale of England, or vnder the Seale of the Duchy of Lancaster, of whatsoener kynd, nature, or qualyte they or any of the be or shalbe reputed knowe or take, w their appurtenaunces or any part or percel of the, shalbe good perfitt and effectual in þ law, and shal stand, be take, reputed, demied, & adiudged good perfitt sure auayleable & effectual in the law, adwel against the kinge and Quenes Maiesties, as against the quene he chaires and succelors according to þ tenor of the said letters patentes, the same to be expounded construed demied & adiudged most beneficial for the patentes and

and grauntes of the same, according vnto the woordes & purpote of e
very the said letters patentes, without any confirmation, licence, oꝛ
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cital, oꝛ non recital of any the same honoꝛs, castels, manors, lādes, te
nementes, & other the premises oꝛ any percell therof, oꝛ any lacke of
syndinge of offices, oꝛ inquisitions of & in the premises, tohereby the
title of the quenes highnes therein ought to haue ben soūd befoze the
making of the same letters patentes oꝛ other wytynges, oꝛ anye mis
recital, oꝛ non recital of leases therof befoze made, as wel of recoꝛde
as not of recoꝛd, oꝛ any lacke of the certaynty, miscasting, ratinge oꝛ
settinge lozhe of the yerely values & rates of the premises, oꝛ of the
yerely rents reserved of & foꝛ the premises oꝛ any percell therof mentio
ned oꝛ cōtained in any the said letters patentes, oꝛ other wytynges, oꝛ
foꝛ p the premises be, oꝛ anye part therof, is valued to a moze oꝛ lesse
value in the said letters patentes oꝛ wytynges, the the said manors, lā
des, tenementes, & other the premises, the wer oꝛ shalbe in yerely va
lue, oꝛ any misnaming of the towns, hamletes, parishes, oꝛ counties
wher the same honours, castels, manors, landes, tenementes & rentes,
hereditamentes, & other the premises, and every percell therof, oꝛ any
percell therof lien oꝛ ben oꝛ any lacke of the true naming of the lādes,
tenementes, oꝛ hereditamentes, oꝛ of the natures, kyndes, soztes oꝛ
quantities of the said possessions oꝛ hereditamentes oꝛ any percell
therof, oꝛ any lacke of the true naming of the corporatio, oꝛ any lack
of attournment, livery, oꝛ seison, oꝛ any misnaming of any the late te
nantes oꝛ sermours of the same so solde oꝛ geuen, not withstanding
prouided alwaies and be it enacted by thauthourite aforesayde,
that this act noꝛ any thing therein cōteyned shal not extend to make
any letters patentes of any office oꝛ offices, to be of any other effect,
fozce, oꝛ strength the the same letters patentes were oꝛ shoulde haue
ben befoze the making of this act. ¶ Prouided alwaies and be it e
nacted by thauthourite aforesayd, that al and singular such patentees
grauntees, & donees, & euerye of them, which at any time heretofore
sithens the said seventh day of July haue obteyned & gotten of oure
sayd Soueraygne lord and lady the kynge and quene oꝛ of anye of
the, oꝛ at any tyme hereafter during the space of seven yeaeres, shall
obteyne and get of our sayde Soueraygne lord and lady the king &
quene that now be, oꝛ of any of them, by way of exchange, oꝛ foꝛ any
summe oꝛ sūmes of monye, any letters patentes of any monasteries
abbathies, priories, nonneryes, oꝛ other ecclesiastical possessions, oꝛ
of any percell of them, oꝛ of any other manours, Landes, Tenemen
tes oꝛ hereditamentes whatsoeuer, which at the date and makinge
of any the same letters patentes so made, sithens the seventh day of
Julye, oꝛ hereafter to be made during the space of seven yeaeres as is
aforesayde, were oꝛ shalbe of better and moze yeaerly value to the
king and quenes highnes oꝛ to any of them, in yerely rent and ferme
then

ANNO QVARTO ET QVINTO.

then was, is, or shalbe conteyned, mentioned or specified in any such letters patētts, or in the perticulers or rate therof made or to be made by any auditur or auditours, surueyours or surueyours or other officer, & then euerye such patentee, graunter, & donee, theyr heires & executours or assignes & euery of thē, within one yere next after office & other due pꝛofe or der & decre therof made and had or to be made & had wīn the space and terme of .x. yeres next after this present parliamente in the court of the eschequer, shal content and pay vnto the quenes maiesty her heires & successours, for the same ouerplus and moze value of the same monasteries, abbathies, priories, nonneries manors landes, tenementes, & other hereditamentes, whatsoeuer, wīn their appurtenaunces, so solde, geue, graunted, or exchaunged as is aforesayde, after the rate of twenty peres purchase, and according to the yearely value & rate as the same manours, landes, tenementes & other hereditaments whatsoeuer, wer at the tyme of the making of any suche letters patentes so made, or to be made in manour and fourme aforesayd. Any thing cōteyned in any such letters patentes to the contrary notwithstanding. ¶ Provided also & be it further enacted by thauthorite aforesayd, that this act or any provision therin cōteined, shal not in any wise extēd to cōspyne, ratify, or make good any lease or leases, made or to be made by our said Soueraign lord & lady the king & quene, or by any of them for terme of life, lifes, or for yeres, wherbypon the olde and accustomed rentes or moze, be not, or hereafter shal not be reserved, & yerey payable during the time and terme of euery such lease, nor that this present act shal in any wise extēd to reuiue or make good any letters patentes made of anye office or offices to any comptroller, costomer, alneger, sercher, ne to any letters patentes of the graunt of any other office or offices heretofore graunted or made bi the king & quenes maiesty, or any of thē which no w be or at any time heretofore haue ben adnichilated determined or made boyd by iudgement, by authorite of parliamēt, or by decre nor to any patēt to be made to any persō or persōs for terme of yeres or during & minority of any heire of any manors, landes, or tenementes wherof any trauarise hereafter shalbe cēdged within thre monethes after any office found & certified into any of the kings courtes of recorde, ne to make good any letters patentes made by our said Soueraigne lord & lady or any of thē, of any office or offices to be of any other effecte force or strength then the same letters patentes wer or shuld haue ben befoze the making of this acte. ¶ Provided alwaies & be it enacted by thauthorite aforesayd, & this act or any thing therein cōteined, shal not extēd to any letters patētts whiche at any time heretofore sithen the beginning of & quenes maiesties reign haue be made or hereafter shalbe made by the king & quenes highnes, or by & quenes maiesty only, to any person or persōs of any manours landes tenementes, rentes, reuercions, seruices, or other hereditaments, bi spꝛee of anye information, suite, or suggestion, made, or to be made to her

her highnes, & the same manoures, landes, tenements, or other here
 dicamentes, so conteyned in any such letters patentes, were concea-
 led landes, nor to any letters patentes heretofore made by our said
 soueraigne lord & lady the king & quenes maiesties, or any of the, ro-
 bert Jackson clerke, maister of h hospital, of h Shauoy in p parish of
 S. Clemetes Dacorun, wout the barres of the new temple London,
 & to his byethen, being perpetual chaplaines of the same hospital, & to
 their successours, but h the same letters patentes & euery of the, shal
 stand, remaine, & be in the same force strenght, and effect, as thei were
 before the making of this act, any thing in this act mentioned to the
 contrary notwithstanding. ¶ And where the manour of Southwel in
 h county of Nottingham, & also the Site & precinct of the colledge
 of Southwel in the same county together, with diuers other landes
 tenementes, & hereditamentes to the said late colledge lately belong-
 ing, or appertayning, were conueied & assured by indenture, fine, or other
 title, by or fro John Beaumont esquier vnto our late Soueraigne lord
 king Edward the first & to his heires & successours, for h discharge &
 satisfaction of diuers greate sumes of mony, wherein the same John
 Beaumont was indebted to the said late king. Be it enacted & esta-
 blished by the auctoritei aforesayd, h the sayd coueyance & assurance
 shalbe perless, good, sufficient & auayleable agayn h sayd Beaumont
 & his heires, to alintites, constructions & purposes, according to h pur-
 poise, tenor, & true meaning of the same coueyances & assurances,
 saving to al & euery person or persons, & bodies politike & corpo-
 rate, their heires & successours & euery of the, other the the said John
 Beaumont, his wife, & his heires, & al other clapping any estate or in-
 terest by or from the or any of the sitbens the same coueyance & as-
 surance, al such righte title, interest, possession, estate, leases, reues,
 services, commons, & all other profites & comodities whatsoeuer, as
 thei or any of them, shuld, or might hane had if this act had neuer be
 had ne made. Any thing therein cōtained to h contrary notwithstanding.
 An Act for the hauinge of horse, armour, and weapon. Ede. ii. Chapter.



¶ For the better furnytur and defence of this realm, Be it
 enacted by the king and quenes maiesties, w thassentes of
 of the lordes spiritual & tēporal & h commons in this present
 parliament, assēbled & by auctoritei of the same h asmuch
 of al & euery act and Statute concerning only h keeping
 or finding of horse, horses, or armour, or of any of the heretofore made
 or provided, & al & euery forseytur, & penalty concerning only h same
 shalbe fro hence forth utterly boyde repealed & of non effect. And be it
 further enacted by auctoritei aforesaid, h euery noble mā, gētelmā & o-
 ther tēporal perso, after the rate & proportion hereafter declared shal
 haue & kepe in a readines such horses, geldings, armour & other furni-
 ture for the wars, at h lest, & in such sort & maner as is & shalbe in this
 act hereafter expressed & declared. That is to sai, al & euery perso tēpo-
 ral hauing any honours, lordships, manors, houses, lāds, meadowes
 pastures or woodes

woodes of estate of inheritance or freehold. the clere perely value of
one thousand pound or above, shal from & after the first day of May
which shal be in the yere of our lord god, a thousand. v. hundred fifty
& eighty haue, finde, kepe susteyne & mainteine in this realme of Eng
land, of their own proper & at their own proper costes & expences. vi
horses, or geldings, able for dimilaunces, wherof. iiii. of the at the least
to be horses, with sufficient harnesses. stele sabels & weapon, requi
site & appertayning to the said demilaunces. horses or geldings. x.
light horses or geldings able & mete for light horseme. wth p^r furniture
of harness & weap^r requisite for the same. And also forty cosselettes
furnished. xl. almayne riuettes or in stede of the said almayne riuettes
xl. cotes of plate. cosselettes or bygandines furnished. xl. pikis. xxx.
long bowes. xxx. shefes of arrowes. xxx. stele cappes or sculles. xx.
blacke billes or halbertes. xx. haquebutes. & xx. morias or salletes.
And every persⁿ tēporal hauing any hono^rs. lordships, manors, hou
ses, lands, meadowes, pastures or woods, of any such estate as is afore
said. to p^r clere perely value of a thousand markes or above. & vnder
p^r clere perely value of a thousand pound, shal haue, finde, susteyne &
mainteine in this realme of their own proper & at their own pro
per costes & expences. lvi. horses or geldynges, able for demilaunces
wherof. ii. at p^r least to be horses. wth sufficient harnesses. & weapon, and
saddels mete & requisite to the said demilaunces horses or geldings
& vi. light horses or geldings, able & mete for light horseme, wth furni
ture of harness, & weapon requisite for the same. And also of armor
weap^r. xxx. cosselets furnished. xxx. almayne riuettes or in stede of p^r
said almayne riuettes. xxx. cotes of plate. cosselets or bygandines fur
nished. xxx. pikis. xx. longe bowes. xx. shefes of arrowes. xx. stele cap
pes or sculles. x. blacke billes, or halbertes. x. haquebutes & x. mor
ias or salletes. And every persⁿ tēporall hauing hono^rs. lordships,
manors, houses, lands, meadowes, pastures, or woods of any such es
tate as is aforesaid, to the clere perely value of. lvi. hundred po^unds or
above. & vnder the clere perely value of a thousand markes shal haue,
finde, kepe, susteyne and meynteyne as is aforesayde, two horses. or
one horse and one gelding able for dymilaunces, with sufficient fur
niture of harness. stele saddels and weapon for the same as is afore
sayde. and foure geldinges able for light horsemen wth sufficient
harness and weapon for the same, and also. xx. cosseletts furnished
xx. almayne riuettes furnished, or in stede of almayne riuettes. xxi.
tyecotes of plate cosselettes or bygandines furnished. xx. pykes. xv.
long bowes. xv. shefes of arrowes. xv. stele cappes or sculles. vi. ha
quebutes & vi. morias or salletes. And that every person tēporall
hauinge lordshyps, manors, houses, landes, meadowes, pastures, or
woods, of any such estate as is aforesayd, to p^r clere perely value of. cc.
po^unds or above. & vnder p^r clere perely value of. cccc. po^unds shal fro p^r
said first day of May haue, kepe susteine & mainteine. i. gret horse or
gelding able for a dimilaunce, wth sufficient furnitur of harness. stele sa
dle,

for the same, & two geldynges, able for light horsenē in harnes and weapons sufficient, as is aforesayd, for the same, & also ten corselettes furnished, ten almaine riuettes, or in the place of almaine riuettes, .x. cotes of plate, corselettes or brigandines furnished, .x. pikes, .viii. long bowes, .viii. shefes of arrowes, .viii. stele cappes or sculles, thre haquebutes, & thre moxians or sallettes. And euery person tempozall hauing any lordshippes, manors, houses, landes, meadowes, pastures or woodes, of any such estate as is aforesayd, to the clere yerely value of one hundred poundes, or above, & vnder the yerely value of .ii. hundred poundes shal fro & after þe said first day of maye, haue, kepe, and mayntayne (as is aforesayd) two geldynges, able and mete for light horsenē with sufficient harnes, & weapon requisite for þe same. And also thre corselettes furnished, thre almaine riuettes, or in the place of thre so many cotes of plate, corselettes, or brigandines furnished, .iii. pikes, .iii. longe bowes, thre shefes of arrowes, thre stele cappes or sculles, two haquebutes, and two moxians or sallettes. And also euery person tempozal hauing lordshippes, manors, houses, landes meadowes pastures, or woodes, of anye suche estate as is aforesayd, to the clere yerely value of a hundred markes, or above, & vnder the yerely value of a hundred poundes, from the said first day of Maye shal haue, kepe, mainteyne & susteyne one geldyng able & mete for a light horsenē, in the harnes & weapon sufficient & requisite for the same, two corselettes furnished, two almaine riuettes, or in the place of þe same, two cotes of plate, or brigandines furnished, two pikes, two long bowes, two shefes of arrowes, .ii. stele cappes or sculles, .i. haquebut, .i. moxian or sallet. And also euery person tempozal, hauing lordshippes, manors, houses, landes, meadowes pastures or woodes, of any such estate as is aforesayd, to þe yerely value of .xl. poundes or above, & vnder þe yerely value of a hundred markes, shal from & after þe said first day of Maye haue, kepe, & maynteyn .ii. corselettes furnished, .ii. almaine riuettes or in the place of þe same, .ii. cotes of plate, corselettes or brigandines furnished, .ii. pikes, .i. long bow, .i. shefe of arrowes, .i. stele cap or scull, .ii. haquebutes, .ii. moxians or sallettes. And also euery person tempozall hauing lordshippes, manors, houses, landes meadowes, pastures or woodes of any such estate as is aforesayd to þe clere yerely value of .xx. poundes or above, & vnder þe yerely value of .xl. poundes, shal fro þe said first day of Maye, haue, kepe, & maynteyn .i. corselet furnished, .i. pike, .i. haquebut, .i. moxian or sallet, .i. long bow, .i. shefe of arrowes, .i. stele cap or scull. And also euery person tempozal hauing lordshippes, manors, houses, landes meadowes pastures or woodes, of any such estate as is aforesayd to þe clere yerely value of .x. poundes or above, & vnder the yerely value of .xx. pound, shal fro & after þe said first day haue, kepe & susteyne .i. almaine riuette, cote of plate or brigandine furnished, .i. haquebut, .i. moxian or sallet, .i. long bow, .i. shefe of arrowes, .i. stele cap or scull. And also euery person tempozal hauing lordshippes, manors, houses, landes meadowes

meadowes, pastures or woodes, of such estate as is aforesayd, to the clere perely value of five poundes or above, & vnder the perely value of .x. poundes, shal fynd and after the sayd first day of May, haue, kepe & susteyne one cote of plate furnished, one blacke byt, or halbert, one long bote, one shele of arrowes, and one Steele cap, or scull. And also euery personne tempoꝝal, hauing goodes or cattells to the value of one thousande markes or above, shal from the sayd first day of May haue, fynd, kepe, susteyne, and meynntayne as is aforesayde, one horse, or gelding able for a demplaunce, with sufficient barnis, Steele, saddle, & weapon requisit & conuenient for the same, and one gelding able & mete for a light horseman, with harnes, and weapon sufficient and requisit as is aforesayd for the same, or eightene cosseletes furnished in & dede of the saide horse, and gelding, and furniture of the same at his choysle. And also shal from the same day haue, fynde, kepe, & main teine of armoure & weapon, two cosselettes furnished, two almayne rpuettes, or for & same almon rpuettes, two cotes of plate, two cosselettes, or two byggandynes furnished, two pykes, foure long botwes, foure shele of arrowes, foure Steele cappes, or sculles, and thye haque buttes, with thye moꝝyans, or sallettes. And also euery person tempoꝝal hauing goodes or cattells to the values hereafter in this pre sente acte, specified & declared, shal from & after the sayd first day of May haue fynd, kepe, susteine & maynteyne such geldinges, armoure, weapon and furniture for warre as is hereafter declared. That is to saye, hauing to the value of foure hundrede poũdes or above, and vnder the value of a thousande markes, one gelding able and mete for a light horseman with sufficient harnes and weapon requisite, & mete for the same or .x. cosseletes furnished, at his election, and also shal haue, fynd, and kepe one other cosselette furnished, one pike, two almayne rpuettes, or plate cotes or byggandynes furnished, one haque but, two long botwes, two sheles of arrowes, and two Steele cappes or sculles. And hauing in goodes and cattells, to the value of two hundred pound or above, & vnder foure hundred, one cosselette, furnished one pike two almayne rpuettes, plate cotes, or byggandynes, furnished one haquebut, one murrian or salet, two long botwes and two shele of arrowes, and two sculles or Steele cappes. And hauing in goodes & cattells to the value of a hundred poundes or above, & vnder .ii. hundred, one cosselette furnished, and one pike, one payre of al mayne rpuettes, one plate cote, or payre of byggandynes furnished, two lōg botwes, & two sheles of arrowes, & two sculles. And hauinge as is aforesayd, in goodes and cattells, to the value of fourety poundes or above, and vnder a hundred poũdes, two payre of almon rpuettes or two cotes of plate or byggandynes furnished, one longe botwe and one shele of arrowes, one Steele cappe or scull, and one blacke byt or halbert. And hauinge as is aforesayd in goodes and cattells to the va-

leth of .xx. poundes or above, and vnder .xl. poundes, one payre of almayne riuettes, or one cote of plate, or one payre of byrgadines, two long bowes, two shefes of arrowes, two sculles or stele cappes, and one blacke byl or halbert. And hauing as is aforesaid to the value of tenne poundes or above, and vnder twenty poundes, one long bow, one shefe of arrowes, wyth one stele cappe or scull, and one blacke byl or halbert. And also that euery personne tempoꝛal. not beyng aboue charged by this acte, hauinge, or that hereafter shal haue any annuity or annuities, or yearly fee or fees for terme of life, or of any estate of inheritance, or any coppholde or coppholdes, for terme of life, or of any estate of inheritance. to the cleare yearly value of .xxx. poundes or above, shalbe charged and chargeable wyth such furniture of warre as is aforesayde, in euery Degree, qualite, and condition, according to the proportions and rates befoꝛe expꝛessed, lyꝛmitted and appoynted for goodes and cattells.

And be it further enacted by the aucthoꝛity aforesayd, that euery personne which by vertue of the acte made in the parliament holden at westminster in the .xxiii. yeaꝛe of the raygne of kyng Henry the eyght, was bound (by reasonne that his wife shold weare such kind of apparell or other thinge, as in the same statute is specially mentioned and declared) to kepe or kinde one greate stoned trotting horse, and is not by this acte befoꝛe charged, to haue mayntayne, and kepe any horse or geldyng, shal fro the sayd first day of Maye, haue, kepe, & mainteine one geldyng, able and mete for a light hōsemā. wyth sufficient harness and weapon for the same, in suche maner & fourme as euery tempoꝛall personne hauing lordshippes, houses, landes, meadowes, pastures or woodes of such estate as is aforesayd, of the cleare yearly value of one hundred markes is charged or appoynted to kinde haue and mayntayne by this present act.

And be it further enacted by thauthoꝛity aforesayde, that if any personne chargeable by this acte, as is aforesaide, shal by the space of any thye whole monethes after the sayd first daye of Maye, lacke or wante the sayde number and kindes of horses, geldinges, armour, weapon and furniture aforesaide, or any of the m, after such rate, proportion, maner, and fourme as is in this act aboue limited, declared and appoynted. That then euery such personne shal forseyte and lose for euery such thye monethes that he shal so lacke and want the same number and kindes of horses, geldinges, armour, weapon and furniture, or anye parte therof, for euery horse or gelding so lacking, ten poundes, and for euery dimillaunce & furniture of the same thye poundes, and for euery corselet & furniture of the same. xl. s. and for euery almayne riuette, cote of plate, or brigadine, and the furniture of the same. xx. s. & for euery bow & shefe of arrowes, byl, halbert, haquebut stele cappe, scul, moyꝛan and sallet, x. s. & one moytie of whych saide
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forfeitures, shalbe to the kyng and Quene our Soueraygne Lord and Lady and to theyr and successours of the same our soueraygne ladye, and the other moitye to him or them that wyl sue for the same in any courte of recozde, by byll, playnte, action of debte, or information, in the whiche byll, playnte, action, or information, no wager of lawe esloyne, or protection shal be allowed or admitted.

And be it further enacted by the authoꝝyty aforesayd, that the inhabitauntes of every city, borough, towne, parische, and hamlette within thys realme, other the such as are specially charged before in this acte, shal haue, fynd, kepe, susteyne, and maintayne at theyr common charges and expences, such harnes, and weapon, and as much therof as shalbe appointed by the commissioners of our said soueraign lord and lady, and of the heyres and successours of the same our soueraygne lady, for the musters or betw of armour within such city borough, towne, parisch or hamlette, there to be kepte in such place as by the sayd commissioners shalbe appoynted. And the numbers and kindes therof to be wyrtten and compysed in a payze of indentures, to be made betwene the sayde commissioners or two of the at the least and twelue, eyght, or foure of the chefest of every such cite, borough towne, parisch, or hamlette, wherof one part to remayne with the cheif officer of the same city, borough, towne, parisch, or hamlette, and the other part to remayne with the clerke of the peace of the shire or countie, where every such cite, towne, borough, parische or hamlette shal stand or be. And if the same inhabitauntes of every such city borough towne, parische, or hamlette, other then such as are specially (as is aforesayde) charged shal lacke or wante such harnes or weapons, or any part therof, as shalbe vnto them appoynted by the said commissioners for the musters or betw of armour, as is aforesaid, by the space of any thye monethes together next after any such appointmēt made that then the same inhabitauntes shal forfeite for every the said thye monethes for every such harnes or weapons so lackyng after the rate aboue limitted, the one moitye therof to be to our said soueraign lord and lady, and to theyr and successours of our sayd soueraign lady and thother moitye to him or them that wyl sue for the same in any of the courtes of recozd of our sayd soueraygn lord and lady, and of the heyres and successours of the same our soueraygn lady, by byll playnte, action of debte, or information, wherein no wager of lawe, esloyne or protection shalbe admitted or allowed.

And be it further enacted by thauthoꝝyty aforesayd, that the lord Chauncellour of Englande for the tyme beyng, shal haue full power and authoꝝyty by vertue of this present acte, from tyme to tyme to graunt out commissiōs vnder the great seale of England, to the Justices of peace within every shire or countie of this realme, or to so many of them as by his discretion shalbe thought mete and conuenient for

for the appoynting and limittynge of the said harnelles and weapons to be found, kept, and maintained in every such city, borough, towne, parished, and hamlette, at the common charges of the inhabitants thereof, as is aforesayd.

Provided also, that this acte or anye thing therein conteyned shal not extende to take away or discharge any remaunt, or fermour of his service or covenante towards his Lord, for the findinge of horse, armour, or weapon, or for doing of service by him selfe or anye other, which by the tenure of his land or ferme, he is bound to do at the time of making of this acte, but that he shall yelde, paye, and doo the same in as large ample maner and fourme, as thys acte had never bene had he made.

And be it further enacted by the authoptye aforesayde, that the Justices of peace, of every Shire, shall have power and authoptye by vertue of this act, from time to time, to make search and betwe of and for the sayd furnitures of horses, geldinges, armour and weapon, to be found mainteyned and kepte by any person abovesayde, havinge lordships, manors, houses, landes, meadowes, pastures or wodes to the clere yearely value of .CC. poundes or under, and not aboue the pereyl value of .CCC. poundes, or to be found mainteyned or kept by any person or persons chargeable by this acte, by reason of his or theys goodes, cattels, annuities, fees or copyholdes as is aforesayd, & to heare & determine at their quarter Sessions al & every the defaultes committed or done contrary to thys act, wthin the countie, where such defaultes shalbe kept, by inquisition, presentment, byl, or information befoze the exhibited, or by examination of two lawefull witnesses at the discretion of the same Justices, & to award procelle ther upon as though they were indicted befoze the by verdict of xii. men or moze. And upon the conviction of the offender by information or suit of anye other then the kinge or the quene, or of theires or successours of the quene to make estreats of the one moiety of the said forfeitures to be leuied to thuse of our sayd soueraygne lord and lady, or of theires or successours of the same oure soueraygne ladye, as they shal to doe of other fines issues, and amerciamentes, growing in the sessions of peace, and to award execution of the other moiety for the compleynant or informer against the offender, by fieri facias or capias, as the kinges Justices at westminster, maye doo and shal to doe. And if any such conviction shal hereafter happē at thoneley sute of our said soueraygne lord and ladye, or of the heires or successours of the same our Soueraygne ladye, that then the whole forfeitures to be estreated and leuied to thes onely.

And be it further enacted by the authoptye aforesayde, that whensoeuer anye personne shal at anye tyme hereafter bee convicted by vertue of thys acte, for anye defaulte or thynge mentyoned

in this acte, that then the same person shal not otherwise oꝛ effloines be hered, troubled, sued oꝛ conuicted foꝛ the same default oꝛ thinge, wherfoꝛe he shalbe so conuicted.

And be it moozeouer enacted by the aucthoꝛitye aforesayde, that yf any Souldioure shal at any tyme hereafter make sale of his horse barnes, and weapon, oꝛ anye of them contrarie to the fourme of the sayd statute, made in the sayde seconde and thyrde yeares of the said late king, that then not ouely the same Souldioure shal incurr the penaltyes of that statute, but also the sayd sale made by suche souldioure to any personne oꝛ persons knowing him to be a souldiour shalbe voyde and of none effect, against him oꝛ theim that found oꝛ set foꝛth the sayde horse, harnesse, and weapon, oꝛ anye of them, to, oꝛ foꝛ the furniture of suche souldioure to serue with the same.

Provided alwayes, that no persō shal be impeached oꝛ troubled foꝛ any offence done contrary to this act, onlesse pꝛesentment oꝛ sute therof be had, made oꝛ taken wīn one yere next after thoffence done any thing in this act to tꝛ contrary therof in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided alway & be it enacted by the aucthoꝛitye aforesayde, that if at any tyme hereafter it shall fortune any person oꝛ persons aforesayd, to be sued oꝛ impeched foꝛ any foꝛfeytur oꝛ penalty, foꝛ not hauing, susteyning, oꝛ keping such furnitur of coꝛseletes, pikes, haque buttes, oꝛ morians, as by this act is befoꝛe limited, rated, & appointed, and foꝛ hyꝛ oꝛ theyꝛ excuse and aunswere, shall alleage & pleade that the same furniture so lacking, could not by him oꝛ them conveniently be had, gotten, oꝛ provided, foꝛ waite and lacke of the same wīn this realme, accordinge to the tenure and purpoꝛt of this acte, the same matter of want and lacke as is aforesayd, shalbe allowed, and taken foꝛ a good and sufficient aunswere and barre in the law, in case it be true, and if the same be denied oꝛ trauesed, tꝛ ther vpon an issue shalbe loꝛned, and that the triall shal be of euery such issue onely had by the certificate to be made by the Loꝛd Chauncellour, Loꝛd Treasurer, the Loꝛd pꝛesident of the counsell, the Loꝛd Stewarde of the Kinges and Quenes most honozable householde, the Loꝛde pꝛyue Seale, the Loꝛde Admiral, and the Loꝛd Chamberlayne of the said householde, oꝛ by thꝛe of theim, in wꝛitting vnder theyꝛ seales, oꝛ the seales of thꝛe of theim, this pꝛesent act, oꝛ any estatute, law, oꝛ vsage heretofore had to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided also and bee it enacted by the aucthoꝛitye aforesayde, that no personne oꝛ persons chargeable by vertue of this Acte, to oꝛ foꝛ the fyndinge oꝛ hauinge of anye Horse, Gelding, Armour, weapon, oꝛ furniture foꝛ the warre, as is aforesayd, shalbe charged with the same, oꝛ with any of them both foꝛ his manoures, houses, lands meadowes, pastures and woodes, and also foꝛ his goodes, castelles, fermes, leases, cōpyholdes, rentes, annuities.

Provided also and be it further enacted by thauthoritie aforesaid that this acte or any thing therein conteyned, shal not in any wise extend or be adjudged or interpreted, to abrogate, repeale, or make void any part. sentence, matter, clause, article, or thing, conteined or specified in the statute, made in the .xxiii. yeare of the raygne of the late noble Prince of worthy memory King Henry the eight, for or concerning the hauing of long bowes and arrowes, & the vsinge, order exercysing and mayntenance of Archery, and shoting in longe bowes, but that the same statute, and every article, clause, sentence & thing therein contained and specified, touching or in any wise concerning the hauing of long bowes, arrowes, vsing order, exercysing, or maintenance of archery, and shoting in long bowes, shall stande and remaine in force, and be obserued, perfourmed, and kept, according to the renure, effect, and true meaning of the sayd acte, vppon the paynes conteyned in the same, as this acte had not bene had ne made, this present acte or any thing therein conteyned to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided also, that if it shal fortune the said furniture of armour aforesayd, or any part thereof, at any tyme hereafter to be lost or spent in any service of Defence of this realm; or els the horses or geldinges aforesaid, to be killed or destroyed, or els by some other occasion to be dead, that in such case or cases, no perso or persons shalbe charged w any forfeiture or penaltie aforesayd, for not hauing such quantitie or number of armour, horses, or geldinges as is aforesaid, so that he or they within one yeare next after such losse or want, do supply the same agayne in all payntes, according to the true meaning & purport of this acte, any thing in the same act to the contrary thereof notwithstanding. ¶ Provided also, that the want of any gaunlete or gaunletes, shal not be demed, accounted, or taken for any lacke or want of furniture for a roset, anye wordes before expressed, sounding to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided also and be it enacted by thauthoritie aforesayd, that every person and persons charged with the finding of any haquebut and his or they seruaut or seruantes, shall and may exercise & vse shoting in the same haquebutte, at suche markes as is limited and appointed by the statute made in the .xxiii. yeare of the raygne of King Henry the eight, or at theyr own propre games, so that they carry not or vse not the same haquebut in any high way, vnlesse it be coming or going to or from the musters, or marching towards or fro the service of Defence of the realme, any clause or article in the sayde acte of the .xxiii. yeare to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided alwayes, that this act ne any thing therein conteyned shal extend to charge any person or persons dwelling or abyding within the countreys of Northwales, and Southwales, & within

the county Palentine of Lancaster & Chester, or either of the, with the findinge or hauing of any haquebut, but that they and euerye of them, shall and may at theyr wyl, libertie, and pleasure, haue & kepe in steede and place of euery haquebut, charged by thys acte, one long bowe, and one shefe of arrowes, ouer and besides such other armour and munition as is by the lawes of this realme limited and appointed any thyng in thys acte to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provyded alwayes that the Lord Chauncellour of England, or keeper of the great seale for the tyme beyng, shall and may from tyme to tyme by vertue of the king and Quenes highnes commissiō, name assigne, and appoint comissioners in euery citie, borough, and towne corporate, wherein there be Justices of the peace, as wel in England, as in Wales, so many of the same Justices of peace, with suche & as many other personnes, to be ioynd with them dwelling out of the sayd citie, borough, and towne corporate, as he or they shal thinke mete, to take viewe of armour in euery of the same citie, borough, and towne corporate, accordyng to thys present acte, and also to assigne what harness and armour shall be prouyded and kepte by the inhabitauntes of euery such citie, borough, & towne corporate, as is also sayde, accordyng to thys present Acte.

An acte for the taking of Musters.

The.iii. Chapter.



Here heretofore commaundement hath bene geuen by the king and Quenes maiesties, & other the progenitours of the Quenes maiestie kinges of this realm, to diuers and sondry persons, to muster their maiesties people & subiects of this their realm of England, and to leue a number of the for the seruice of theyr maiesties and of thys Realme, in theyr warres, such as were most hable and likeliest to serue wel in the same, which seruice hath bene greatly hyndered, as wel for that a great number hath absented the from the sayd musters, which oughte to haue come to the same, as also for that manye of the moost hable and likely men for that seruyce, haue bene through frendship or rewardes, released, forborne & discharged of the sayd seruice, & some other not being able or mete taken, appointed, and cholen therevnto, & yet the same disability & vnaptnes notwithstanding, the same vnable & vnmete persons vpon summes of mony, or other kind of rewardes, or exactions by the paid to some such as had the order of the said musters, haue ben also released and discharged of the said seruice, to the great impouerishment of the

the subiectes, and cheifelye to the great perill & daunger of this noble
regime, in the hinderaunce of the true and necessarye seruyce therof.

For remedy wherof, be it enacted by the king and quene our soue-
raigne lord and lady, with the assent of the lordes spirituall and te-
poral, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, and by
the authoerty of the same, that yf any person or persones, that shalbe
commaunded, at any tyme hereafter, generally, or specially, to muster
afore any such as shal haue authoerty or commaundement for þe same
by or from the kinges & quenes Maiesties, or by theires or successours
of the quenes maiestie, or by any lieutenant, wardeine or other per-
son or personnes authoised for the same, do willingly abset hym or
them selves from the same musters, hauing no true & reasonable ex-
cuse of sickenes, or other laweful impediment, or at their apperaunce
at such musters, do not bryng with thei such their best furnitur or ar-
rape, and armour, as he or they shal then haue for his or their owne
person in a redines, shal for every such default and offence, haue and
suffer imprisonment by the space of ten dayes, without bayle or main-
pyce, by the commaundement of such as shal haue authoerty as is
aforesaid, to take the same musters, onlesse he or they so offending as
is aforesaid, do agre to or with the said commissioners, or two of thei
to pay to thuse of the king and quene our souveraigne lord and lady,
or of the heires and successours of the same, our souveraign lady, for
everye suche offence, forty shillings or loz a fyne, to whiche said fyne after
agreement for the paymer of the same as is aforesaid shalbe certified
and estreated into the court of chesche at westminster, bi such as
shal haue power to take the said musters as is aforesaid, or by two
of thei, under their seales or the seales of two of them, within the
space of two monethes next after such agreement, to pay the said fyne
had or made & the same fyne so estreated to be leuied in such fourme
as fines assessed by the Justices of assyse, or of Gaole delivnerye, in
their circuittes are used to be leuied.

And be it further enacted by the authoerty aforesayde, that yf
any person or persones which at any tyme or tynes hereafter shalbe
commaunded or appoynted by the king and Quene our souveraign
lord and lady, or by the heires and successours of the same our soue-
raign lady, by their commission, letters, or otherwise authoised, to
leue muster or make any men to serue in their warres, or otherwise
for the defence of this realme, do by any meane exact, leue, receyue or
take, or cause to be take any sume or sumes of money, or other reward
or thing whatsoeuer, of any perso or persons, for seruyce in the warres
or shalbe appoynted, named or mustred to serue in any such seruyce
or for the sparyng, releasing or discharging of such person or persons
from the said seruyce, that then everye suche person þe so offending
in exacting, receauyng or taking bi any waies or meanes any summe

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oꝝ summes of mony, oꝝ other reward, oꝝ thinge whatsoeuer as is aforesayd, shal foꝝ such offence foꝝfeit. x. times so much as he shal so receyue, exact oꝝ take.

And be it further enacted by thauthoꝛitie aforesaid, that if any capytayne, pety capytain oꝝ other, haupng charge of men foꝝ service in warre, shal foꝝ any aduantage, lucre oꝝ gaine by him to be taken, oꝝ receyued, discharge oꝝ lycence any of the souldiours, oꝝ men appointed to serue in the warres, vnder his rule oꝝ order, to depart frō the same service, oꝝ shal not pay vnto his souldiours and to euery of the their full and whole wages, conducte and coate mony, within tenn dayes next after that such capytaine, pety capytaine, oꝝ other hauing charge of men as is aforesaide, shal haue receiued the same, that then the party so offendyng in geuing any such licence oꝝ discharge as is aforesayd, shal lose & foꝝfeit foꝝ euery such offence. x. times the value of the thing so taken oꝝ receyued, and shal also pay to euery souldiour from whom he shal so withhold any the said wages, conduct oꝝ coate mony, treble the summe so withholden, the one moiety of al which foꝝfeitures, other then such as befoꝛe by this act is limited oꝝ geuen to the souldioꝝ oꝝ souldiours as is aforesaid, foꝝ their wages coat oꝝ conduct mony withholden, shalbe to the kyng & the quenes maiesties and theirs and successours of the quenes maiestie, & thother moietye therof to him oꝝ the that wyll sue foꝝ the same, by action of debt, by plaint, information oꝝ otherwise, in any court of recoꝛde, in whiche action oꝝ sute no esdigne protection oꝝ wager of law, shalbe allowed.

And be it further enacted by the authoꝛitie aforesaid, that all iustices of assises in their circuittes, and al Justices of peace, within the limittes of their commission; in their assises and sessions, and Sessions of leet, lawedayes, and liberties, at their leetes & lawedayes shal and may from tyme to tyme enquire, here and determine euery of the sayd offences, committed oꝝ Done contrary to this act, within the precinctes of their commission, leete oꝝ libertie, and if any persō oꝝ persons shalbe befoꝛe the sayd Justices of assise, Justices of peace oꝝ any of them, presented oꝝ indicted of any thoffences aforesaid & then the said iustices of assise, oꝝ iustices of peace, befoꝛe whō such inditement oꝝ presentment shalbe taken oꝝ had, shal and may by & authoꝛitie of this act, award such pꝛoces against euery such persō oꝝ persons so indicted, as byō inditemēt of trespass is vsed & accustomed to be made, & if any such persō oꝝ persons so indited, do appere befoꝛe & said iustices & confesse the same, oꝝ plede to the same inditements, & after by verdict of xii. menne shalbe of any the sayde offences cōdeꝛned in such inditemēt oꝝ inditements cōuicted, & the the said iustices befoꝛe whō any such conuiction shalbe so had shal & may award such persō oꝝ persons so conuicted vnto pꝛyson, ther to remaine vntill hable oꝝ maynappayre, vntill such tyme as he oꝝ they haue paid, oꝝ satisfied & moꝛtie

moety of the forseynture aforesayd, vnto the king & quenes maiesties vse, and thother moetye therof vnto him or them that shal come before the sayde Iustices, and geue euidence agaynst the partye to be conuicted at the tyme of the sayd conuiction, and by whose euidence he shalbe of the sayd offence conuicted. And yf anye suche conuiction shalbe hadde withoute any euidence openly geuen by any person or persons, that then the party conuicted as aforesayd, shal remayne in prison as is aforesayde, vntill he haue satisfied the hole forseynture to the king and quenes maiesties vse.

It is ordeined alwayes and be it further enacted bi thauthorite aforesayd, that if any the offences aforesaid, touching captaynes, pety captaynes, or other hauing charge of men, shalbe committed during the time that an army or number of men being vnder alieutenaunt shal be assembled and contynue together, or by anye captayne, pety captayne or other hauing charge of men that shal serue any lord warde or other cheyftayne, that then vpon complaynt therof, the lord lieutenaunt or the lord warde, or other cheyftayne, during the time of any his or their commission shal and may heare, order, and determine the same offences, by his or theys discretions.

It is ordeined alwayes that this act, nor any thing therein conteyned shal not in any wise extend to take away or discharge any tenaunte or seruour of his seruyce or couenaunt, towarde his lord for the findinge of horse, armor, or weapon, or for doinge of seruice by him selfe, or by anye other, which by the tenure of his land otherwyse is bounden to do before the making of this act, but that he shal yeld, do and pay the same in as ample maner & forme as though this act had neuer bene had or made.

It is ordeined also and be it further enacted by thauthorite aforesaid that yf any such capytayne, pety capytayne, or other hauing charge of men as is aforesayd, shalbe at any time hereafter conuicted, or ordered by vertue of this act, for any of his offences aforesayde, that then the same Capytayne, pety Capytayne, or other hauing charge of men as is aforesayd, so conuicted, shal not otherwyse or estones be vexed troubled, sued, or conuicted for the same offence, wherof he shal be so before conuicted or ordered.

And wher one byaunch or article conteyned in the statute made in the second & thyrde years of the reygne of the late king Edward the fyrste, intituled, an acte touching the true seruyce of Capytaynes, and Shoulidioures, whereby the departure of any Shoulidioure seruyng as in the sayde acte is expessed, withoute licence of the lieutenaunt, or other officer or officers named in the sayd acte, or in theys absence, of their deputes, was made felonye, is of noo force strengthe, ne effecte, at this presente, by reasonne of the acte of repeale of certayne treasonnes, felonnes, and pyymnyng made in the

the first session of parliament holden at westminster, in the first yere of the quenes maiesties regne. Be it for good and reasonable considerations enacted and established by thauthourty of this present parliament, that the said bysuch or article, and every sentence and matter therein conteyned, be from henceforth holy reuiued and continued, and be and remaine in full strenght and effect to all intetes constructions and purposes, the sayd act of repeale notwithstandinge. And that al and every other article, clause, prouiso, and matter contained in the same act, shal stand, remaine, and be in their full force strenght and effect. Any thing in this act contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

And yet neuerthelesse wher in the said act it is prouided, that no person or persons shoulde be charged for the taking or receiuinge of any gifte or rewarde of any of his or their tenants or frendes towards the releyse, ayde, or helpe of the same personnes beyng commanded to serue in warres, or otherwise to find men on horsebacke or on foot, within this realme or without, nor for the gyfte, rewarde ayde or helpe reserved, or couenaunted, to be paid or gyue to any person appoynted to serue in warres, or to find horse or men, to serue by reason of any grant, couenaunt reservation, custome or tenure, any thing in the sayd act to the contrary notwithstanding, as by the said act and prouiso moze playnely it doth and may appeare. Be it enacted by thauthourty of this present parliament, that no person or persons shal or may by colour of the sayd prouiso, or of any wordes or matter therein conteined, exact or demand, or leuy any summe or summes of money, horse, armour, or any other thing, other then shalbe employed furthwith in the present seruice of those warres, of the king & quenes maiesties, her heires or successours, for which it is leuied, the which summe or summes of money, horse, armour, or other thing, or asmuch therof as shal not be spent, lost, or consumed in the said seruice shalbe reuoyded and restored to such person or persons as payd or deliuered the same, vpon the penalties and forfeitures, conteyned in the said act.

Prouided alwaies, that no person or persons, inhabiting within any city, borough, or town corporate, beyng a county of it selfe, or in which any Iustices of peace be or hereafter shalbe, by charter, shalbe compellable by vertue of this act, to make his or their appearance with such furniture as is aforesayd, at any muster hereafter to be had or taken out of the Suburges, precinct, or libertyes of the same city, Borough or Town, nor before any person or persons, authourised by commission or otherwise as is aforesayd, onlesse the may or, or other head officer, of such city, borough, or town, & on other discrete inhabitant of the same at the least be ioined in the same commission or other authourty as is aforesayd, with the same other person or persons so authourised, any thing before mentioned to the contrary notwithstanding.

An act that accessaries in murder and diuers felonies shal not haue the benefyte of clergie.

¶ The. iiii. Chapter.



FOR the due punishmente of suche as commaund, counsel, or hire any person or persons, to commit, perpetrate, or do any petie treason wilful murder or any of the offences in this present acte mentioned. Be it enacted by the auctorite of this present parliamente, that all and euery personne and personnes that after the fyfthe daye of March next commyng, shal maliciously commaund, hire, or counsel any person or persons, to committe or do any petie treason, wilful murder, or to do any robbery in any dwelling house or houses, or to committe or do any robbery in or nere any bygh way, in the realme of England, or in any other the Queenes dominions, or to committe or do any robbery in any place within the marches of England against Scotlande, or wilfully to burne any dwelling house, or anye parte thereof, or anye barne then hauing coine or grayne in the same, that then euery such offender or offenders, and euerye of them beyng outlawed therof, or being therof arraigned and found guilty by the ordre of the law, or beyng otherwise lawfully arraigned or convicted of the same offense, or beyng arraigned thereof do stand mute of malice or forwarde mind, or do challenge peremptorie aboue the number of twenty persons, or wil not answer directly to suche offence, shal not haue the benefyte of his or their clergie. Provided alwaies and be it enacted, that euery lord and lordes of the parliament, and pier and piers of the realme, hauing place & voice in the parliament, vpon euery inditement for any of the offences afore sayd, shalbe tried by their piers, as hath bene accustomed by the lawes of this realme.

An Acte touching the making of wollen clothes.

¶ The. v. Chapter.



WHERE in the parliament holden at Westminster, in the fift and sixt yeare of the reygne of our late soueraygn lord king Edward the sixt, there was by greate deliberation & aduise one good acte made for the true & perfect making of wolle cloth within this realme, sithens the making wherof diuers clothiers founde them selues agreued, alleging that is vnpossible for the to obserue & same act in al poyntes, & haue in this present parliament prayed some mitigation therof it is therfore at their special instance & request ordered, established, enacted, & provided, in maner & fourm following.

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In p^rimis, that euery white cloth & clothes comonly called longe wo^rcesters, & al like clothes of like making m^entioned in the said act, which by p^r same was limitted to weigh. lxxiii. pouⁿds, being wel scoured, thicked, milled, & fully dyed, shal weigh. lxxv. pouⁿds at p^r lest.

Itē, euery white cloth which shalbe made in the counties of Wil^t. Gloucester, & Somerset, or any of the, or els wherof like making being appoynted by p^r sayd act to weigh. lxxiii. pouⁿds, shal weygh being wel scoured, thicked, milled, and fully dyed. lxxi. poundes at the least.

Item, that euery broad cloth made in the shyres of K^et & Suff^r, or at the town of Reding, or any of them, or els wher of like making mentioned in the said act, which by the same was limitted to weigh lxxx. poundes at the leaste, shal weigh beyng well scoured, thyched, milled, and fullpe dyed. lxxvi. poundes at the least.

Itē, that euery course short cloth made in p^r shyres of Suff^r. Dor^t & Gl^oster, or any of them, or els where of like sort, & euery course cloth to be made within the shyre of kente, not exceedinge the pyce of sixe poundes, all whych by the sayde Act are appoynted to cōteyne. vii. quarters of a yard at the least in b^readth shal conteyne and be at the water, beyng thorough wette, sixe quarters & a halfe within the list thzough and by al the whole cloth.

Item, euerye yard of cloth commonly called handiwarpe, beyng wel scoured, thicked, milled, & fully dyed, shal conteyne the b^readth specified in the sayde acte, & shal weigh two pouⁿds & a halfe at p^r lest.

And forasmuch as man^y persons do counterfet the making of Cok sal, Bocking and Braintree clothes comonly called handiwarpes, adding therunto such like listes as the makers of such clothes do, to the great deceipt of the king & Quenes maiesties subiectes. Be it there fore enacted, that no person or persons from the first dai of May next coming, shal adde vnto ani cloth or clothes, ani such like list or listes except the warpe therof be sponne vpon p^r rocke or distafe, vpo paine of forfeyture of p^r same cloth or clothes, or the very value therof. Wh^o uided alwaies that the cloth makers within the city of wo^rcestre may make suche listes as they haue done heretofore.

Item that no persoⁿ or persons inhabiting within p^r westriding in the counti of yorke, shal make or cause to be made any broad cloth or clothes called petwkes, ratoneis, bieletes, or greenes, excepte the wol therof before it be cōuerted into yarne, be fyrst died, listet & coulered wth the couler blue, of p^r value of. ii. pence a pouⁿd, vpo paine of forfeyture of euery such colozed cloth, or p^r value therof, wherof p^r wol shal not be first died, listet, & colozed, wth the couler blue of. ii. d. a. li. as is aforesaid.

Item that euerye or dinarpe karspe m^entioned in the said act shal conteyne in length in the water betwixt. xvi. and. xvii. yardes, y^ard & ynche, and being wel scoured, thicked, milled, dyessed, & fully dyed shal weighe. xix. poundes. the peece at the least. And euerye karspe called

called sortpyn karley, mentioned in the sayd Acte, beyng well scoured, thicked, milled, dyessed, and fully dyed, ready to be shewyd, shal weygh .xxii. poundes at the leaste.

Item, that every Denonshyre karley, called Doffome, the wbych is the leaste, shal weygh beyng wel scoured, thicked, milled, and fully dyed, after the rate of every yarde one pound at the leas.

Item, that one article mentioned in the sayd Statute concernynge welsh cottons touchynge the length and weight, shal be clerely void and every gode of welsh lining shal conteyne and be thre quarters of a yarde in breadth in the water, and shal weigh one pound and a halfe quarter, and every yarde of cotten being fully wrought and cottened, shal weygh one pound at the leas.

And be it further enacted, that no person or persons, whiche shal buye to sell agayne by way of retayle or otherwys, any of the sayde welsh lininges, shal dyesse or work, or cause to be dyessed or wrought within his or theys dwelling house or houses, or in any other place by hym selfe, or bys seruaunte or seruauntes, any of the said welsh lininges, but shal put the same to some such person or persons, as shal be of the arte or science of Weremen, Cottoners, or frysers, to be by theym wrought and dyessed, vnder paine of forfeyture for every welsh cotten or lynnynge, frysed or cottened to the contrary. vi. s. liii. d.

Item, that al and every cotton or cottons called Manchester, Lancheshyre, and Cheshyre cottons, and all clothes called Manchester Rugges, or Manchester frysers, may be deuided into two halfe peeces, and shal conteyne and be after the rate of such breadth and weight, as in the said act is limited and appointed to a whole pece of every of þe seuerall peeces of cottons & rugges aforesaid, any thing in the said former statute to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

And if any cloth or karley of the seuerall kindes of makynge, mentioned in the sayd former act, or this estatute, do exceede the seuerall lēghes mentioned in the same, that then every yarde so exceeding, shal weygh after such rate as every yarde of such cloth or karleys conteyning the sayd seuerall lengthes, shal or ought to weigh, vnder paine of forfeyture for every yarde, not weyng after such rate. v. s. And if any such cloth or karleys shal lacke of such weight as by the sayd Statute or this acte it ought and is appointed to haue, then the maker thereof or other person in whose handes or possession the same shal be found, shal forfeyt for every pound lacking aboue .iiii. poundes. v. s. and also for every pound exceeding not aboue .iiii. poundes. ii. s. in maner and fourme as in the sayd former acte is appoynted.

Item, one article mentioned in the sayd Statute, wherin the alneger is prohibited to set his seal to any cloth or karley which shal proue purp, bandy, squally, in or by warpe or woof, or els shal happē to be euell
burled

burled or wasted in the mille, or otherwyse to be ful of holes, milbrackes, or to hoolpe, shalbe voyde and of none effecte.

Item it is enacted that if at any tyme after the first day of May anye clothe or karsey, thouroughe the default or negligente of the carders, spinners, or weauers, or anye of them, shal, or do proue eyther pursey, rockeley, bandy, squally, or rowpe, by warpe or woole, or ells shal happen to be euil burled, or wasted in the myll, or ells thourough the default or negligente of the myll man, or otherwyse, to be full of holes, milbrackes, or to be hooly, that then the maker of every suche cloth or karsey so being defectiue or faultye as is aforesayd, shal fyxe hnto every ende of the sayd cloth or karsey so being defectiue & faultye, & offred to be sold, one seale of leade, in the which seale shalbe ingraued this worde (faulty) vpon payne of forseynture of such clothe or karsey, or the value thereof so offred to be solde, wherunto such seale shal not be set.

Item, the article mentioned in the sayd former act of retourning of defectiue clothes, karseys, fyles, or cottons beyng transported ouer the seas by the marchauntes, shalbe vtterlye voyde. But neuertheles be it enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that if it shal fortune hereafter any marchaunt or marchauntes, to transport any clothe or clothes karseys, fyles, or cottons, wherunto he seale with this word (faulty) was not annexed at the tyme of the sale thereof by the clothier, & the same clothes, karseys, fyles, or cottons, so transported, or any of the to be found faulty or defectiue, & the same marchant or marchauntes thereof, within two yeaeres after such sale, to buyng a certificate, sealed with the seale of any towne, or company in the parties beyond the seas, or signed by a Notary ther, after the accustomed manner, testifienge and declaringe therby the losse & damage which the marchaunts shal haue susteined by such defectiue & faulty clothe or clothes so transported, that the clothier or clothiers, or other person of whome the cloth or clothes was bought, they executours or administratours, shal within sixe weekes next after request made by the said marchaunt, bys executours, administratours or assignes, well and truelye satisfide content and pay, to such marchaunte, his executours or administratours, or assignes, all and every such summe and summes of monye as shal so be mentioned, expresse & declared in the sayd certificate, vpon payne of forseynture to the party greued for every none payment vpon such request, double the value of such summe or summes mentioned in the sayd certificate.

Provided alwayes, that suche marchaunt shal not in anye wyse haue by vertue of this act, any recompence for lacke of length, breadth or weyght, of or for any cloth, wherunto he seale of any citty, borough or towne corporate shalbe fyxed.

Item, if any personne shal by him selfe, or by any other person by him

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in fustyal and every clothe and clothes made of other colouren;
 to wiche the sayde former acte is appointed, fustyal, gowen, crams, gold
 purple, and othe medley colouren, moost commonly used to be made
 before twenty yeres last past, only excepted.
 And yf any manner of person or personen, at anye time after the
 first daye of Maye next commynge, shal deny, withstandinge, or byp
 holde any clothe or clothes, harkyns, frises, rugges, or any of the from
 the sayd sealers or sealeren, or any of the, or will not suffer the
 to enter into their shops, warehouses, houses, or places, wher they
 clothes, harkyns, frises, or rugges shal be, the same to be searched and
 tryed as is afore sayd, that then every such person or personen, so de
 nyng or withstandinge, for every such withstandinge, withholdynge,
 or denial to searce and lose, in poundes.
 And it is further enacted, that it shal not be lawfull for anye
 of the sayd sealeren, or sealeren, or any other person, to searce
 any manner of wollen clothe or harkyn, wherby the sale of a
 cloth through the London companies, shal be fixed, withyn the com
 mon cloth marketts of London, commonly called Blackwell hall,
 or in any common cloth faire, or cloth markette of any other, wiche
 shal be held, or shal be holden, in and during the time of the faire
 or markette, and also in and about the contrarye notwithstandinge.
 And it is further enacted, that al and every article, clause, and sen
 tence of the sayd former acte, made in the fift and sixte yere of
 the reygne of our sayd late soveraigne, whiche shal be deemed ther
 by, beyng not repugnant or contrarye to anye article, clause, or
 sentence contained in this present acte, shal stand in full force and ef
 fecte, as if it were newlye made.
 And it is further enacted, that no person or personen shal incurr the
 longer, penaltie, or forfeiture limited or appointed for any offence
 in the sayd former acte, the which is alreadye mitigated or otherwys
 appointed by this present acte.
 And he is further enacted by the sayd statute, that anye
 clothier shal cause every clothe which he shal put to sale, fustyal
 and also the frise of the cloth of gold, to be marked with the letter
 commynge, to be marked with the letter, W. crowned, wrought in
 the cloth, beyng none to searce, for every cloth beinge sold or put
 to sale by any clothier after the sayd daye not marked, with the
 sayd letter, W. crowned, shal be deemed to be counterfeit.
 And it is further enacted by the sayd statute, that no per
 son or personen shal be liable to the forfeiture of the sayd cloth
 shal be put to sale in the reygne of England, any coloured clothe
 of any other colour or colour, the which shal be deemed to be
 the sayd law, shal be deemed to be counterfeit, and shal be deemed
 blacke,

blacke, grene, yello, blue, orich tawny, russet, marble, gray, sad net
coulor, Azney, watchet, shes coulor, Lyon coloure, motley, y^o
gray, fepes graye, crayne coloure, purple, and olde medley coulor,
most comonly bled to be made about and befoze. xx. yeares last past.

Item, wher as diuers aunciente cities, boroughes, and towne
corporate with in this realme of England, hath ben in times past wel
and substantially inhabited, occupied, maynteyned, and vpholdd,
as wel by reason of making of broad wollen clothes and karsleys, as
also by dyuers other artificers inhabiting then in the sayde towne,
at which tyme also the villages and husband townes flourished, and
husbandry and tyllage was wel maynteyned, to the greate benefite
of the realme, and all the people therein. soasmuch as diuers yeares
past, such persons as do vse the feat or misterye of cloth making, not
contented to liue as artificers, and with the trade wher in thei haue
bene brought vp, do dayly plant them selues in villages & towne, be
ing no cities, boroughes, nor corporate townes, & there occupyinge
the seate and place of a husbandman, doo not onely ingrosse diuers
fermes and pastures into their handes, displeasing the husbandman,
and decayng the ploughes and tillages, but also dyawoe with theim
out of cities, boroughes and townes corporate, al sort of artificers,
wherby not onely dyuers aunciente cities, boroughes, and townes
corporate are utterly decayed, destroyed, and depopulated, but also
husbandry & tillages very much decayed, to the great hurt, damage
and prejudice of this realme, and the people therein, p^rspedy remedy
be not forfene. And soasmuch also as the weaues and workmen of
clothiers wher they haue ben traded vp in the trade of cloth making
and weaning. iii. or. iiii. yeares, do forsake theyr masters, and do be-
come clothiers and occupers for the selues, w^othoute s^ocke, skil, or
knowledge to the great scisunder of the true clothe makinge, besides
a great number of inconueniences which do growe to the common
weith of this realme therby, as dayly experience teacheth. Be it ther-
foze ordeyned and enacted by thauethoritye of this present parlia-
met, that from and after the first day of May next comming, no pe-
son or persons whatsoeuer, shal vse or exerce the feat or misterye of
making, weaning, or rowing of woollen cloth, long or short, or kar-
sleys, pinned whites, or playne streites, to thintent to put the same to
sale, but onely in a market towne wher cloth hath commonly benne
bled to be made by the space of ten yeares laste paste, or in a city, bo-
rough or town corporate, vpon payne of forfeyture for euerye suche
woollen clothe or karsley, made, wouen, or rowed oute of such city, bo-
rough, towne corporate or market towne, fyue poundes.

And it is further enacted, that from and after the first day of May
no person whatsoeuer, shal weaue or make, or put to weaning or ma-
kinge anye wollen clothes or karsleys last rehearsed, to be sold vnles

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such person shal haue bene appyntice to the occupation of makinge, weaynynge, and rowynge of clothe or karleys, or haue bene exercised therein by the space of seuen yeares before, vpon paine of forfeiture of such cloth, or the value thereof.

And be further enacted by the auctorite aforesaide, that al and euery paynes, penalties, and forfeitures to be due by force of this statute or of the said former acte being not otherwise appointed, shalbe deuided equally into two partes, wherof the one shalbe to the quenes highnes, her heires and Successours, and thother vnto him that wil seale (in cases where sealer is limited or appoynded) or els to him or them that wil sue for the same paynes, penalties, and forfeitures, or any of them, by action, byl, playnt, information, or other wyse, in any courte of recorde, wherein no esopne, protection, waiger of law, or inunction shalbe admitted, allowed or obeyed.

Provided alwayes, that it shalbe lawefull to any person, now being or exercising the seate or mystere of makynge, weaynynge, or rowing of cloth or karley, to inhabyt and dwell where he now doth and there to vse the making, weaynynge, or rowing, of cloth or karley as he hath done hertofore, any thing in this acte to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided alwayes, that it shalbe lawefull to al and euery person or persons, which now do, or hereafter shal inhabite or dwell in anye of the Shires of Northwales, or Southwales, Cheshyre of Licheshire, Westmerland, Cumberland, Northumberland, Bishoppeske of Durham, Cornewall, Suffolke, Kent, the towne of Goddelmire in the countie of Surrey, or yorke shyre, being not within twelue miles of the city of yorke, or in any the townes or villages nere adioynning the water of Strond in the countie of Gloucestre, wher clothes hath ben vsuall made by the space of twenty yeares last past, and hauing bene pyntice to the occupation of clothe makinge, or exercise in the same by the space of seuen yeares, to set vp, vse, and exercise the seate or mystere of makynge, weaynynge, or rowing of cloth out of a cite, borough, or markette towne, as heretofore they myght haue done any thing in this acte to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided also, that it shalbe lawefull to any person, now being or exercising, or that hath used or exercised the seate or mystere of clothe making, the same to continue, vse, and exercise, although he hath not bene therevnto appyntice, or haue exercised the same by the space of seuen yeares, any thing in this Acte to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided alwayes & be it also further enacted by thaurthorite aforesayd, that it shalbe lawefull to euery person and persons, to sel & put to sale by retails, or other wyse, al & euery such coloured clothe & clothes as he or they now haue, as frely as he or they may lawfully sel anye clothes

clothes of the colloures in thys present acte allowed to be sold, vntill the feast of Saynt Mychael tharchangel next ensuyng. This act oꝝ the sayd former statute, in any wise notwithstanding.

An acte to enqurre of the behauor of french
men being Denizens.

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H they mooste humble Wyse, shewen vnto your most royall Maiestie, the lordes spiritual and temporal, and al other your most louyng & obedient Subiectes, the commons in your most highcourt of parliament assembled, that wher at a parliament holden at Westmynster, in the xiii. yere of þe reigne of king Rycharde the second, it was for sondry good considerations, ordeined and enacted, that no alpen frenchme, should haue oꝝ enioy any benefice within this realme, but that they should be anoyded forthwith out of the same, before a certayne tyme in the said acte limited, as in the same act is moze plainely conteyned. And that at what hower, any ppyozs alpens, conuentual oꝝ other benefyce oꝝ office, geuen by tyle of the kyng, did byyd by laches, oꝝ death of the said ppyoz, and other occuppers, that than (during the warrres) honest persons englyshe, should be put therein, in the place of them to accōplysh the diuine seruice, and none of the enemies aforesayd. And yet notwithstanding the sayd ordynance, the said aliens frenchmen, by euell imaginatyō and brocage, to continue the euyl myschyfes of the said ordynance dyd purchase letters patentes of the kyng to be denizens, & lreiges of the kyng, & so swaie to continue the same, to thintent to occuppe and enioy the sayd benefices, and by that meanes dyd occupp great number of benefices, against the said ordynance, by meanes where of the alpens french were increfed, to the diminishing of þe subiectes, of the kyng, and the treasure of the king and the Realme dyd carrie oute of thys Realme, and the counceyl of the king dyd discover to the enemies of fraunce, to the great damage of the king & the Realme. For reinedy wherof at a parliament holden at Westmyn, the xvj. yere of the reign of the most woorthy prince of famous memory king Henry the xvj. the same king considering the mischifes aforesayd, by thauthozitie of the same parliament, wylled that the said ordynance shoulde be saulely holden and kepte, & put in due executiō, (certayne ppyozs aliens excepted) and that they should put in suerty, not to discover noꝝ cause to be dyscouered, the counceyl noꝝ the secretes of the

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Realme. And wherbythence the making of the sayd Actes of Parliament, sondrye other good lawes and actes, haue bene made, as wel in the tyme of kyng Rycharde the thyrde, as in the tyme of kyng Henry the Eyght, in whych actes, it is prouided, bymytted, ordeined and declared, vnder what soeuer the sayd Actes, and euery of thein shoulde vse them selves within thys realme.

And wherby also by one acte of parliament made at westminster in the two and thyrtye yere of the reygne of the said late king Henry the Eyght, it was enacted amongst other things contayned in the sayd acte that al maner of Straungers bozne oute of his graces obeylaunce, whych before that tyme were made Denizens, or that after that shoulde be made Denizens, from and after the fyrst daye of September then next commynge, shoulde be bounden, and be obedyente, by, and vnto al the foresayd actes and statutes, made in þe fyrst yere of the sayd kyng Rycharde the thyrde, and in the fourtene and one and twenty yeres of the sayd king Henry the Eyghte, and to al the contentes of the same, and to al other actes, & statutes of thys realme, before that tyme, made or from henceforth to be made. And þe also in al and euery Letters Patentes, of or for anye Denizen from and after the laste daye of the same Parliament, soo holden in the sayd two and thyrtye yere, to be made to anye straunger, not being bozne vnder the kynges obeylaunce, there shoulde be conteyned in euery suche Letters Patentes, a prouiso that he or they to whome suche Letters Patentes, shalbe soo made and graunted, shoulde be bounden and be obedyent by and vnto al the actes, and statutes, of thys Realme, as is aforesayd, and to all and euery the contentes of the same, as by the same actes more playnely it doth and may appere.

Yet Sythence the makinge of the sayd seuerall Actes a greate number and myltitude of the frenche nacion, haue aryued into this realme, as wel nere to the Sea side, as elsewhere, and vnder a fained false and vntreue promysse or othe of alleggiance, and faith promysed to be by them bozne to thys Realme, they haue of late yeres sithence the sayd two and thyrty yere of the reygne of the sayd late kyng Henry the Eyght, by synyster and vndue meanes obtained, dyuers and sondry seuerall Letters Patentes, wherby they be made Denizens, and by force thet of doo enioye the lybertyes and pryncelleges of thys Realme, and yet contrarye to the true meanyng of the sayde Letters Patentes, in theyr conditions and behauiours, they do re mayne frenche, and daylye from tyme to tyme do discouer the counceill, state and pryncipalities of thys Realme, and compasse, Imagine, and procure sondry myschyffes and damage to be done by the frenche nacion

tion to this realme, contrary to the sayde actes of Parliamente, and
contrary to their sayd letters patentes, and the p[ro]viso cōtēnyed in
the same.

For remedy wherof, and for the avoiding of the imminent perill
that for want of due providence, may ensue to your most royal p[er]sō
(whome our Lord GOD longe preserve to regne o[ve]r us) and to
this your highnes realme, by the malicious and secrette practises of
the sayd Denizens, we most humbly beseeche your most excellent ma
iesty, to have vigilant care and tender consideration, of your own
safetie, and preservation of this your realme, and having good and
sure experience of your accustomed honorable and merciful dispositiō
and inclination, do also most humbly beseech the same, that by your
royal assent, it may be enacted by authority of this present Par
liamente, that all frenche men, and all and every other personne and
personnes, bothe in any place, beyonde the Seas, which at the time
of the bying of any such p[er]sō or p[er]sons, was under the frenche kin
ges obeylaunce, not being Denizens, other then such as the king &
Quenes highnes, or the quene onely shal specially licence, limit, and
appoynte to remaine within this realme, shal departe oute of this
Realme, and out of from the Dominions and territories of the same
thereto remaine and continue without retorne into this realme, du
ring the tyme and continuance of the warres betwene the french
kinge and our Soueraygne Lady the quene, or her helles or succes
sours. And that our Soueraygne Lady the quene, or her helles or succes
sours, or her byghnes onely, by the authority of this Acte, by
their letters patentes, under the great Seale of England, shal and
maye have full power and authority, from time to time, during the
tyle of the quenes highnes (which almighty GOD idg prosper and
continue) after office sold or other due proofe, of the misdemeanoure
of any such Denizen, committed contrary to the lawes of this realme
to repeale and make bothe al and singuler letters patentes, or assign
ny of them, as to her highnes shal seme good, made sithence the said
two and thyrtye yere of the reygne of King Henry the vyghte, to and
alpen or straunger bothe frenche, and under the obeylaunce of the
frenche kyng concernynge onely the makynge of suche alpen or
straunger Denizen, the same Letters Patentes of repeale, to bee
proclaimed and bled in maner & forme folowing, that is to say, that
every such Letters Patentes of repeale, shal conteyne the names &
surnames of everye suche alpen straunger, whose letters patents
shal so be repealed, and shalbe solemnly and openly redde and pro
claimed in the kinge and Quenes Courte of Chauncerye, betwene
the howyes of nine, and a leue, before none, one dai in any one terme
to bee kepte at Westminster, and in suche and asmanye termes
and

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and countres of this realme, as shalbe limited, or appointed, or otherwise seeme meete to the quenes maiestie at any tyme hereafter, during her highnes sayd lyfe, and that al and euery such letters patents to be repealed in maner and forme aforesayde from and immediately after .xxx. dayes next ensuing such repeale, shal touching only the makinge of suche alen or straunger denizen, be voyde and of none effect, and not before.

And be it further enacted by thauthority aforesayd, that such aliens and straungers denizens, whose patentees the Quenes highnes hereafter shall fortune to allowe or confirme, or whom her highnes shal licence to remaine and tarry in this realme, shalbe bounde to the king and quenes maiesties, by recognisaunce, not to discouer nor cause to be discouered the counsel nor the secretes of this realme and further to be bounde and obedyente vnto and by the lawes and statutes of the same, and yf anye such alen boyrne french, and vnder the obeyssaunce of the french king, as is aforesayd, shal refuse to knowlege anye such recognisaunce, that then the sayd confirmation, allowance and licence, shalbe voyde and of none effecte.

Wherby it is also provided that yf anye such alen as is aforesayd, shal haue purchased anye Honoure, Landes, Tenementes, or hereditamentes of anye estate of inheritaunce, within this realme, sythence tyme that he was made denizen, or any Honoure, Landes, Tenementes, or hereditamentes within this realme were geuen to anye such alie, of anye estate of inheritaunce, by anye letters patentees, or in anye letters patentees, whereby he was made denizen, that the same Honoure, Landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes, after the decease of such alen, whose letters patentees of making denizen, shalbe as is aforesayd, repealed, shal and maye descende, remaine or come vnto such his heire or heyres, as bene boyrne within this realme, and as be inheritable to the same, or to such other person or persons that should by the lawes of this realme, haue and enioye the same (or anye parte thereof yf this acte or no such repeale had ben made in such maner & forme as though no such repeale wer had, or made, the same repeale or any thing in this acte to the contrary notwithstanding.

Wherby it is also provided that it shalbe lawfull to the Quenes Maiestie, her heires and successours, immediately from and after the departure of euery such denizen, out of this realme, to receiue and take the cleare yearly issues, reuenues, and profits of all such Honoures, Landes, Tenementes, Rentes, fees, Annuities, & hereditamentes, wherof anye such denizen were sealled or hadde at the tyme of this acte, or at the tyme of his departure oute of this realme, as is aforesayde, for and duringe the lyfe of euerye suche denizen, in as ample and large maner and forme, and in suche qualyte, condityon, and degree as anye

any such denisen mighte lawefullye haue receyued and taken at the tyme of the makynge of thys present act, & not other wise; any thing in thys acte coneyned to the contrary notwithstanding.

An acte to make by the Jury with circumstantibus, where the kyng and Quenes maiesties or the Quenes maiestie is a partye.

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WHICH in the parliament holden at Westmynster the xiiij. day of January in the. xxv. yere of the reygne of the most noble and victorious prince king Henry the eighth, late king of England, amonge other thinges it was enacted and established, for the speedy trial of Issues ioynded betwene party and partye, in any of the kynges courtes of record holde at Westmynster, to be tryed by the verdicte of twelue men, before the Justices of Assise, or nisi prius, that in every writte of *habeas corpus* or *distingas* with a *nisi prius*, deliuered of the record to the Sheriffe or other minister or ministers to whom the making of the retourne shal apperteyne, wher a full Jury shall not appeare before the Justices of assise or nisi prius, or else wher after apperance of a full Jury, by chaleng of any of the parties the Jury is like to remaine vntaken for default of the Jurours, that then the same Justices vpon request made by the parties plaintiffe or demaundaunt, shal haue auctoritie by vertue of the sayd acte, to commaund the Sheriffe or other minister or ministers, to whom the making of the sayd retourne shal appertayne, to name and appoynte as often as nede shal requyre, so many of such other hable persons of the sayd countie then present at the sayd assises or nisi prius, as shal make by a full Jury, which personnes so to be named and enpanelled by such Sheriffe or other minister or ministers, shalbe added to the former pannel, and theyr names annexed to the same, as by the said act moze at large appeareth, which Statute was made to endure tyll the ende of the next parliamente, and after was & is from time to time confirmed, and doeth now remaine, stand, and be in effectte, whych act doth not extend to any Jury enpanelled, to try and issue ioynded betwene the kyng and the partye, or betwene suche as pursue any matter for the kyng and the m selues.

Be it therfore enacted, ordeyned, and established by the kyng and Quenes Maiesties, the Lordes spiritual and tempoꝛal and the commons

common in this present parliament assembled & by the aucthoritie of the same, that from and after the first day of June next commynge the Justices of assise and nisi prius, before whome anye trial shall be made, by vertue of any wrytte of *habeas corpus* or *disfringas* with a *nisi prius*, where a full Jury shall not appeare, or after appareance of a full Jury by challenge the Jury is lyke to remaine untaken, for defaulte of Jurours, shall have aucthoritie by vertue of this Act, upon request made for the kyng and Quene her heyres or successours, by any aucthorised therunto, or assigned by the Justices of the Courte before whom the sayd enquest shall be taken, or bypon request to be made by the party that foloweth as well for the kyng & Quene her heyres and Successours, as for him selfe bypon anye penall Statute or bys or theyr Attorneys, to commaund the Sheryffe, or other mynister or ministers, to whom the makinge of the sayde recourne shall appertayne, to name & appointe, as often as neede shall require so many of such other habile personnes of the sayd Countye then present at the said assises, or nisi prius, and to adde and annexe the names to the former pannel, as shall make bype a full Jurye of twelve menne for the tryal of every such Issue. And that al and every clause, sentence, article, and prouiso compiled in the sayd former acte, shall be taken, interpreted, and expounded, to geue the lyke and the same advantage and commoditie to the kyng and Queenes Maiesties, her heyres & Successours, and al such person and personnes as shall pursue any action, byl, playnt, or information for the kyng & Queenes maiesties her heyres and Successours, onely, or for them and the partye, as the partye playntiffe in anye other action should or myghte have by vertue of the sayde Acte, in such fourme and condition, to al intents and purposes, as yf such actions or lutes for the kyng had bene speciall and perticulerlye mentioned and declared in the sayde acte.

In acte for the punishment of such as shall take awaye maydens that be inheritours, beyng within age of threene yeares, or that marry them without the consent of theyr parents.

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WHERE maydens and woman children of noblemen, gentlemen, and others; as well such as be theys apprentices to their masters, as others having left unto them by theyr father, or other kinsfolk and frendes, landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes, or other greute substances in goodes and cattelles moreable, to and to theyr intent to aduance them in marriage, some without he, according to theyr degrees; as as myght be most for theyr husbry and comfort; as well for them selues; as of all other theyr frendes & kinnesfolkes, be often tymes brougth to theyr said frendes of kinnesfolkes by flattery, trepelyng gyftes, and saype promyses of many vnthyrty and light personages; and therto by the licetry of persons of feshed demeanour and others, that for rewardes byr and for the sayd maydens and children, secretly allured & wonne to contract matrimony with the sayd vnthyrty and light personages; and thereupon byther with myghte or force, oftentymes be take and conveyed away from theyr said parents, frendes, or kinnesfolkes to the bygh displeasure of almighty god, disparagemente of the sayd children, and the excheuance continual heynenes of all theyr frendes, togher by godly dealing for lacke of holycome luydes to the redreffe therof remaineth a greute familliar and common vncyphre in theyr daye common wey.

For as much as heretofore it enacted by the king and Quene's majesties, the lordes spirituall and temporal, and the commons of this present parliament assembled, and by theyr authority of the same, that it should be lawful to any person or persons, to take or compe away by force or by violence, or by any other way any mayde or woman child vnder the age of sixteen yeres, out of, or from the possession, and by the governance, & agaynst the will of the father or mother, or woman child, or of such person or persons to whom the father or mother of such mayde or woman child, by his last will and testament, or by any other act in his life tyme hath or shal appoint assent, bequeath, give, or graunt the byde, keeping, education, or governance of such mayde or woman child; except such takings and conveyances be made, or shalbe had, made, or done, by or for such person or persons as shal be and be continuell, or then that be the mother or father of such mayde or woman child, or the guardian in lawe of such mayde or woman child, or of such mayde or woman child.

And be it further enacted by the said king and Quene, that if any person or persons, at any tyme after the said daye, shal from thence the said daye, be by force or by violence, or by any other way, or by any other way, take or compe away any mayde or woman child vnder the age of sixteen yeres, out of, or from the possession and agaynst the will of the father or mother of such child, or out of from the

the person or persons, and against the will of such person or persons, as
they shall happen to have by any lawful means, or means, the order
having education, or governance of anye such mayden or woman
childe, that then every such person or persons (so offending) beyond
that of lawfully attainted or convicted by the order and due course
of the lawes of this realme, other then such of whom such person or
persons shall have any landes or tenementes by knights service
shall have a fuller imprisonment of his and their bodies by the space
of two whole years without baile or mainprize, or else shall paye
such fine for his or their sayd offence, as shall be assessed by the counsell
of the Quenes by her selfe, her heyres or successours in the Starre
Chambre at Westmister.

And be it further enacted by the auctorite aforesayd, that if a
ny such person or persons after the sayd day shall take awaye or
cause to be taken awaye as is aforesayd, and deflower any such maid
or woman childe as is aforesayd, or shall against the will, or unknow-
ing of or to the father of any such mayd or woman childe, or the father
be himselfe or against the will, or unknowing of or the mother of
any such mayde or womanne childe, haue the custodye and
governance of such childe, if the father be dead, by letters, letters,
messagers, or otherwise, contracte matrimonye with any such may-
den or womanne childe, excepte such contracte or matrimonye as
shall be made by the consente of such person or persons, as by the
title of marriage shall then have, or be supposed to have the mar-
riage of such mayd or womanchild, that then every such person or per-
sons so offending hereby that of lawfully convicted, as is aforesayd,
shall suffer imprisonment of his or their bodies by the space of two
years without baile or mainprize, or else shall paye such fine for
his or their sayd offence as shall be assessed by the said counsell in the
sayd Starre Chambre. The one moiety of which fine shall be to the
king and Quenes maistres, her heyres and successours, and other
moiety to the parties grieved.

And be it further enacted by the sayd auctorite, that the king
and Quenes highnes honorable Councell of the Starre Chambre
by bill of complaint, or information, and Judgement of all or moost
partes, shall have auctorite by vertue of this acte to
heare and determine the sayd offences, upon every such indict-
mentes and informations such person or persons shall be arraigned and for an
y person indicted of treason at the court last.

And further be it enacted by the auctorite aforesayd, that if any
person child or mayden, beinge above the age of twelve years, and
under the age of sixteen years, doe contracte matrimonye contrary to
the lawes of this realme, that then every such person or persons so
offending hereby shall suffer imprisonment of his or their bodies by the
space of two years without baile or mainprize, or else shall paye such
fine for his or their sayd offence, as shall be assessed by the counsell
of the Quenes by her selfe, her heyres or successours in the Starre
Chambre at Westmister.

the forme and effecte of this statute, that then the next of the kin of the same woman childe or mayden, to whom this inheritance should descend, or come after the decease of the same woman childe or mayden, shall from the tyme of such assent and agreement, haue hold, & enjoy al such lades, tenementes, and hereditaments, as the same woman childe and mayden, had in possession, reuertion, or remainder; at the tyme of such assent and agreement, during the life of such person that shall so contract matrimony. And after the decease of such person so contracting matrimony, that then the said lades, tenementes and hereditaments, shall descend, reuert, remaine & come to such person or persons as they should haue done in case this act had neuer bime had ne made, other then to him onely: so shall contract matrimony.

It is ordeyned alwaies and be it enacted, that this act nor any thing therein conteyned, shall extend to take away or dymynishe any libertie, custome, or authority touching or concerning any Orphan or Orphanes, which now be, or hereafter shall be within the Citie of London, or any other cite, borough, or towne, where Orphans are commonly bled to be prouided for, either by graunt, or by custome, but that the Lord Mayor of the said cite of London, & the aldermen of the same for the tyme being, and al and quere other head officer or officers, of any other cite, borough or towne, wher such Orphanes be prouided for, shall and may haue and take like rule, order, keeping and charge of such orphan and orphanes, and of al their lades, tenementes, goodes, and cattels, as heretofore they or any of the lawfully had or used, or lawfully might haue had and used, if this act had not bene made.

An Act for the continuation of certayne statutes.

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HERE in the Parlyamente begonne and holden at London, the xijth day of November in the .xxi. yere of the reigne of our most dyed Soueraigne lord of most famous memory, king Henry the eighth, and from thence adiourned to Westminster, & there holden & continued by diuers prorogations vnto the dissolution thereof, one act was made and established for the graunt of cariage & conueying of horses & mares out of this realme. And also one other act was ther made for the true winding of wools. And one other act was ther made to restraine killing of watlings, bullockes, Stieres & heifers, being vnder the age of .ii. yeres, which said seuerall actes were the made to endure & continue vnto the next parlyament, as by the sayd seuerall actes, moze plainlye appeareth.

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And where also in the said Parliament one other acte was made and established for attornies, to be sued for the punishment of perjury upon untrue verdictes, which acte last before recited, was the made and ordeyned to continue & endure to the last day of the nexte parliament, as by the same acte more playnely at large is shewed & maye appeare.

And where also in the parliament begonne and holden at westminster the eighth day of June, in the eight and twenty yere of the reygne of our sayd most dread Soueraygne Lorde, kyng Henry the eighth, and there continued and kept until the dissolution thereof. It was ordeined and enacted, that all and singuler the sayde actes aboute remembred, and euery of them, should continue and endure in their force and strength, and also be obserued and kept until the last day of the nexte parliament, as by the same acte amongest other thynges therein conteyned, more playnely appeareth. And where also in the parliament begonne and holden at westminster, the eight and twenty daye of April, in the one and thirte yere of the reygne of our sayde late most dread Soueraygne Lorde kyng Henry the eighth, and there continued until the eight and twenty daye of June then nexte following, it was ordeined and enacted by the authority of the same parliament, that all and singuler the sayde general actes aboute remembred, & euery of them and all clauses, articles, and provisions therein, and euery of them conteyned, should continue and endure in their force and strength, and also be obserued & kept until the last day of the nexte Parlyamente, as by the same acte amongest other thynges therein conteyned, more playnely appeareth.

And where in the Parliament holden at westminster, in the five and thirte yere of the reygne of our said late Soueraygne Lorde, kyng Henry the eighth, one acte was made for the preservation of woodes, to endure for seven yeres then nexte following, and from thence to the end of the nexte Parlyamente, as by the same acte more playnely it both and maye appeare. And where also at the Parlyament holden at westminster, in the seven and thirte yere of the reygne of the sayde late kyng Henry the eighth, and there continued and kepte until the dissolution thereof, it was ordeined & enacted that all and singuler the sayd actes aboute mentioned, and euery of them (excepte the sayd acte made for the preservation of woodes, as is afore sayde) should continue and endure in their force and strength, and also be obserued and kept until the last day of the nexte Parlyament, then nexte following, as by the same acte amongest other thynges therein conteyned, more playnely appeareth.

And where also at the Session of the parlyamente ended at westminster

the xxixth day of March, in the first yere of the reygne of our sayd late most dread Soueraygne Lorde kyng Henry the eighth, it was ordeined and enacted by the authority of the same parliament, that all and singuler the sayde general actes aboute remembred, & euery of them and all clauses, articles, and provisions therein, and euery of them conteyned, should continue and endure in their force and strength, and also be obserued & kept until the last day of the nexte Parlyamente, as by the same acte amongest other thynges therein conteyned, more playnely appeareth.

Westminster the .xliii. day of March, in the third yeare of the raygn of our late Soueraygne Lord king Edward the Sixte, one acte was made for the true coutring of leather, which acte was made to endure to the ende of the next parliament, as by the same acte moze playnely appeareth.

And wher also at the Session of a parliament ended at Westminster the .xv. day of February, in the fourth yere of the raygne of our sayde late Soueraygne Lord king Edward the Sixte, one Act was then and there made concearning the buyng of rother beastes, And also one other acte was then and there made, touching the buyng and sellng of butter and chese, which sayd seuerall actes were then and there made to endure and contynue vnto the ende of the next parliament, as by the same seuerall actes moze at large it dooth and maye appeare.

And wher also at a Session of a parliamente by prorogation holden at Westminster the .xliii. daye of January, in the fyfte yeare of the raygne of our said late Soueraygne Lord king Edward the Sixt, one other acte was then and ther made, agaynst regatours and forstallers to endure vnto the ende of the next parliamēt whych al and singuler the sayde actes aboue mentioned together, with the sayde acte for the preseruation of wooddes, at a Parliament holden at Westminster the .xv. daye of Marche, in the seventh yeare of the raygne of our sayde Soueraygne Lord king Edward the Sixt, and there continued and dissolued the last daye of the same moneth of Marche, and al clauses, articles, and prouisions in them, and euery of theym conteyned, were there reuyned and continued, to stande in theyr force and strengthe vntil the last daye of the nexte Parliament.

And wher also at the Session of a parliament holden by prorogation at Westminster the .xliii. daye of October in the .xv. yeare of the raygne of our most gracious Soueraygne Ladye the Quenes maiestie, and there continued and kept vntil the dissolution thereof, one act was there made & establisshed, agaynst vniuersall and rebellious assemblies, to endure to the ende of the next parliament, as by the same acte moze playnely dooth and maye appeare.

And wher also at the same Session of parliamēt last before mentioned, all and singuler the actes aboue mentioned, and before that tyme continued at sondry parliaments, as is aforesaid, and al clauses, articles, and prouisions in theym and euery of theym conteyned, were ther reuyned and continued to stand in theyr force and strengthe vnto the last daye of the next parliament.

And wher also at a parliament begon and holden at Westminster the .xv. daye of March, in the eighth yeare of the raygne of our sayde late Soueraygne Lord king Edward the Sixt, one acte was made for the true coutring of leather, which acte was made to endure to the ende of the next parliament, as by the same acte moze playnely appeareth.

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the xii. day of November, in the fyrst and secchd yeres of the reigned of our mooste gracious Soueraigne Lozde and Ladye the kynge and Quenes maiesties, and there continued and kept vnto the dissolution of the same, beyng the sixtenth day of January then next ensuyng, one acte was then and there made against seditious wordes and tumours, to endure to the ende of the next parliament, as by y^e same acte moze plainly it doth and maye appeare. And tohere also in the sayd Parliament last befoze recited, all and singuler y^e actes aboute mentioned that were befoze that tyme continued at sondrye parlyamentes as is aforesayd, and al clauses, articles, & prouisions in them and euery of them conteyned, were by auctoritie of the sayd parliament, there reuiued and continued to stand in their force and strength, vnto the last day of the next parlyament.

And tohere at a parliament begonne and holden at Westmynster the one and twentye daye of October, in the second and thyrde yeaeres of the reygnes of our aforesayd Soueraigne Lord and Ladye by the kyng and Quenes Maiesties, and ther continued vntyll the dissolution of the same, beyng the nyynth day of December the nexte ensuyng, one acte was then and there made for the keeping of milch kyne, and for the breadyng and rearing of calves. And one other act for the redressinge of decayed houses of husbandry, & for the encrease of Tillage, the sayde thre seuerall actes to endure til the last day of the next parliament. Forasmuch as al and singuler the said seuerall actes aboute mentioned be good and beneficial for the comon welth of this Realme.

Be it therefore enacted, ordeined, and established by the king and Quenes Maiesties, oure Soueraigne Lord and Ladye, with the assent of the lordes spiritual and tempozal, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, and by the auctoritie of the same, that al and singuler the said seuerall actes and estatutes aboute mentyoned and rehearsed, and euery of them, and al clauses, articles, & prouisions in them and euery of them conteyned, shal be reuiued continued stande, and endure in theyr ful force, and strength, to al intentes, constructions, and purposes, and shal be obserued and kept in al thynges vntyll the last day of the next parlyament.

And wherby it is ordeined, and be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid that this presente act of continuance of statutes, or any thing therein conteyned, shal not in any wyse extend, to repeale or make voyde one acte of parliament, entituled, an act for the sale of diuers wines and spices brought in by marchauntes, made and ordeined in this presente parliament, nor any clause, article, or matter therein conteyned, but that the same Acte, and euerye thyng therein conteyned, shal be of as good strengthe, force, and effecte, to all intentes, and

and purposes as if this act of continuance of statutes, had not bene had, nor made, any thing herein conteyned to the contrary in anye wyle notwithstanding.

And where in the parliament begonne and holden at Westmynster the xxi. day of October, in the second & third yeares of the reign of our sayd Souerayne lord and lady, king Philippe and Queene Mary, and there continued and kept until the ix. day of December then next ensuyng, one act was then and there made, entituled, an act for the releefe of the poze, the said act to endure to the latter ende of the fyfth session of the next Parliament. Forasmuch as the said act is good and beneficial for the comen welth of this realme, be it there fore enacted, ordeyned, and established, by the auctorite of this present Parliament, that the sayd acte, last aboue mencioned & rehearsed, and al clauses, articles, and p[ro]visions in the same conteined, shalbe reuiued, continued, stand and endure, in full force and strength, to al intentes and purposes, and shalbe obserued and kept, in al thynges butyl the last day of the next parliament.

An Acte for the confirmation of the Subsidys
of the Clergye.

The .i. Chapter.



W H E R E the Prelates and Clergye of the prouynce of Canturbury, haue most lowinglye & lyb[er]ally for certayne considerations, geuen & graunted to the kyng and quenees Maiesties, a subsidy of eyght shillinges of the p[ou]nde, to be taken & leuied of al and synghule the spiryтуal promotions, within the same prouynce, during the t[er]me of foure yerres now next ensuyng, in such certayne maner and forme, and with diuers exceptions and p[ro]visions specified and conteyned in a certayne instrument by them therof made and deliuered to the Quenes highnes, vnder the seale of the most reuerend father in god, Reginald Pole Cardinall Archbyschoppe of Canturbury, and primate of al England, as in the same instrument exhibyted in this present parliament, more plainly doth appeare, the tenor wherof ensueth in these wordes.

The Prelates and clergy of the prouynce of Canturbury, being lawfully congregated and assembled in a conuocation of synode vpon greas and weyghthe causes to them purposed, and amongst them welwayed and debated, considering their most bounden dueties to the kyng and quenees Maiesties, the great and ample beneryces they haue receyued of their munificence & bountifull goodnes, for an euident declaration of their good hartes & mindes, speci-

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allye not to tohen the imminent necessitie for the defence of the realm,
requirith present aide and remedye, with one vniforme agtmente
accoorde, and consent together, with most happy good will, have gi-
uen and graunted, and by these presentes, do geue & graunte to the
kyng and Queenes Maiesties, one entyre Subsidy, in maner and
forme folowynge. That is to say, that euery Archbpshoppe, Bpshop,
Abbotte, Prior, Abbate, or Priore, Deane, archdeacon, preben-
dary, or non, maister of colledge, maister of hospitalles, parson and
vicare, and euery other person and persones, of what soeuer name
or degre he or they be, emoyning any spiritual promotion or other
temporal possessions, to the same spiritual promotions annexed,
nowe not deuoyded nor seperated by act of Parliament or otherwise
from the possession of the cleargy, shal pay vnto the kyng and queenes
Maiesties, for euery pounde that he or they may perely dispende by
reason of the sayd spiritual promotion, the summe of Cyght pny-
lynges. And for the true and certayne knowlege of the yearly val-
lew of the sayd promotions, and euery of them, toherof payments
shalbe made, the rate, taxation, valuation, & estimation, remaynyng
of recorde, in the kyng and Queenes Maiesties late court of Chyche
frutes and Centhes, and now in the Court of the Exchequer, for
the payment of the Disme of the cleargy, concerninge all suche pro-
motions, as be in possession of the Cleargy, or any other, not deuoyded
by act of Parliament, or otherwise as is aforesayde, shalbe folowed
and obserued withoute makyng any other valuation, rate, taxation
or estimation, then in the sayde recorde is compyled and mentio-
ned.

And where by the great bounty and godly dispositio of the kyng
and Queenes Maiesties, certayne relygious houses, haue benne of
late erected and endowed with spiritual and temporal posses-
sion, the care toherof is not specified in the recordes of Chyche
or elsewhere within any of their Maiesties courttes, suche care and
valuation of the possession of the sayd relygious houses, shalbe so-
lowed for the payment of this Subsidy, as the Bpshoppe of that di-
ocesse within the which the sayde relygious houses be situate, shal
vpon due search and examination, certifie vnder his Seale,
into the Exchequer before the first day of Maye nexte ensuyng, in
which tyme the sayde Bpshoppe shal and maye make al such allow-
aunces as by the acte of Parliament, made in the sixe and twentye
yeare of the late kyng of famous memory Henry the eight, of and for
the grauntynge of the perpetual Centry were appointed, graunted
and assigned in the valuation and care of al Ecclesiastical and spiri-
tual promotions, for the due and true payment of the late perpetual
centy

tenth, and also shal and may further allowe all such Summes of mo-
ney, as are geuen, assigned, or appoynted to the feeding and maynte-
naunce of poore menne, Schoole maysters, vylhers, gramariens, cho-
risters and other officers and ministers, seruinge and found worthy
in the sayde Monasteryes, and religious houses.

Wherby alwayes that soasmuche as the tenth parte of the
sayd valuation and taxe afoze mentioned shalbe for a tyme vpon cer-
taine reasonable considerations and respectes yearly payde by the
Cleargye, soo that there remayneth onely nine partes to the incum-
bent cleare, this Subsidye of Eyght shyllinges of the pound shal-
be vnderstande and ment onely of the sayde nine partes, and of no
more, where and soo long as the Tenth is or shalbe payde.

Also the said Prelates and Cleargye further do graunte, that
this Subsidye of eyght shyllinges of the pounde, of the yearly va-
lue of euery p[re]motio[n], taxed, as is afozesayd, shalbe payd to the king
and Quenes Maiesties, within foure yeares next ensuing the date
hereof. That is to saye, two shyllinges of euery pounde, in euery of
the sayd foure yeares.

The fyist paymente therof to be due at the fyue and twenty day
of Marche, whiche shalbe in the yeare of our Lozde GOD, a thou-
sande fyue hundred fyfte and eyghte, and the Seconde paymente
therof to be due, at the fyue and twenty daye of Marche, then nexte
folowynge, whiche shalbe in the yeare of our Lozde GOD, a thou-
sande fyue hundred fyfte and nyne.

The thyrde payment thereof to be deliuered the fyue and twenty day
of Marche, then nexte folowynge, whiche shalbe in the yeare of our
Lozde GOD, a thousande fyue hundred and fyfte.

And the fourthe and last paymente thereof to be due at the sayde
fyue and twenty daye of Marche then nexte ensuing, whiche shalbe
in the yeare of our Lozde GOD, a thousande fyue hundred fyfte
is one, to be deliuered and payde ycely, by such person and persones
as in this presente graunte, shalbe appoynted, to haue the collection
thereof, to bee payde into the receypte of the kynge and Quenes
Maiesties Eschequer, or to such personne or persones, place and
places, to whome and where it shall please the highnes to appoint
for the receypte thereof, befoze or at the Tenth daye of June,
in euery of the sayde foure yeares, withoute payinge anie thinge to
the receyuer or receyuours, or to any other officer or person by their
Maiesties to be assigned, for any discharg, acquittance, or Quietus-
est, vpon paymente and receypte of the same Subsidye, to be ge-
uen and deliuered, but onely twelue pence for the acquit-
tance.

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Item the sayde Prelates and clergye, doo also graunt that every preste and al other spirituall persons, hauing a pencio by reason of dissolutio of any the late monasteries, colledges, free chappels, chauntries, fraternities, gyldeg, and hospitalls, or of any other spiritual dignity, and coꝛporacion, now dissolved and extinguisshed within the sayd prouince of Canterbury, shal likewise pay to theiꝝ highnesses eyght shillinges of every pound, of the saide pencions, within the sayde foure yeares, at such dayes and tymes, as is befoze specified, & that for the sure and ascertayned payment therof, Deduction and retention of the sayd eyght shillinges, shalbe made perely in the hands of the payers of the sayde pension, after the rate of two shillinges of the pound, every of the sayde foure yeares, to be deliuered and paid vnto their maiesties ble. at such tyme & to such persons as the Subsidy of eyght shillinges of the pounde aforesayde, shalbe payd vnto

Item that euery stipendary preste, receyuing annuall stipend of eyght pounde by the yeare, and vnder, (being no perpetuall) within the sayde prouince, shal pay vnto their Maiesties ble fyve shillinges eyght pence yearely, during the sayd foure yeares, at such tyme and to such persons as the sayde Subsidy shalbe paid, & vnder the same penalties as the rest of the clergye, do pay for their promotions. And that euery priest receyuing aboue eight pounde yearely & not aboue ten pounde, to paye lyke wyse tenne shyllinges. And that euery priest receyuing aboue tenne pounde, and not aboue twentye markes, to paye thyrte shyllinges foure pence yearely, during the sayde foure yeares, at such tyme and to such personnes as the sayde Subsidy shalbe payde. And that euery priest taking stipende aboue twentye markes, to paye lyke wyse two shyllinges of the pound, every yeare during the saide foure yeares, in such maner and forme as the rest of the clergye doo pay for theiꝝ promotion spiritual, and for default of lacke of payment by the sayd stipendaries, that euery person, vicar, or other spiritual or tempozal person, proprietary, or fermour, hiring any preste to serue in any place, shalbe answerable for the payment of the sayd prest in that behalfe, after the sayd rates, and shal and may make retention of his and their wages quarterly, of so much as the sayde stipendaries be charged with, by this present commission and graunt every of the sayde foure yeares.

Item the sayd prelates and clergye, further do graunt that euery Archebisshoppe and Bisshoppe, and the Sea beyng vacant, euery Deane and Chapter of that Sea voyde, shalbe Collectours of this Subsidy, within theiꝝ proper Diocese, duringe the sayde foure yeares.

And to thintente the king and quenes Maiesties may be suretye and duely answered and payde of the sayde Subsidy, in maner & forme aforesayde, and the Collectoure of the same throughtly charged

ged and discharged according to the tenure of this graunte.

The said prelates and Clergye do ordeyne and decre with one assente and consente, that every Collectoure of the aforesayde Subsidy, and of every parte and parcel thereof, and theyr lawefull deputye or Deputyes, shal haue full power and auctorite agaynst every personne and personnes lyable, charged and bound to pay the sayde Subsidy or anye parte thereof, denyng, refusyng, or delayinge to paye the same, or makinge anye defaulte in the paymente thereof, at the daye or dayes that it ought to be payde (after lawefull warninge to them geuen personally, or at theyr churches or manors) to procede with the censures of the Church, that is to saye, by suspension, excommunication, or interdiction, & also by sequestration of the fructes & profytes of theyr benefices or promotions spiritual, in whose handes soeuer they be, and to make sale of the same fructes, and by al other lawefull remedies by theyr discretions thought conuenient to coarte, constrain, and coupel them and every of them, to the full and vndelayde satisfaction of the sayde Subsidy, and every part & parcel thereof, and shal also haue lyke power and auctorite, both to absolue or cause to be absolued, al personnes so payinge, from all the sayd censures and other paines, and also to release & reuoke al suche processe as shalbe made agaynst them, or any of them, after they shal haue fully satisfied the sayde Subsidy accordyngly. And vpon full payement or satisfaction of the sayd Subsidy or anye parte thereof, all suche acquittances or acquitaunces, whiche shalbe made by the collectoure or his lawefull deputye, shalbe sufficient for the discharge of the same.

It is ordeyned also, and it is ordeyned and decreed, that all and every personne and personnes, refusyng or neglecting to pay the said Subsidy at tyme conuenient, as is aforesayde, shal for his or theyr fyrst defaulte or negligence in not payyng the Subsidy, accordyng to the purpose and tenure of this graunte, beare al the charges and reasonable expences of the said Collectoure or his deputy, in coming goyng, and demaunding of the same, and for the seconde tyme likewise offendyng in none payment, to paye to the sayde Collectoure, or his deputy the fourth parte of the sayd Subsidy, ouer and aboue the sayd summe vpon him or his church or person allotted and taxed, whiche he is bounde to paye, and charged by this acte of free graunte.

And the sayd prelates and clergye do further ordeyne and decre, that yf anye personne or personnes aboue named, chargeable to this Subsidy, or anye parte thereof, after the sayd censures and processe executed agaynst him or them, yett theyr obstinately refuse, neglecte, or make delaye to paye the same, or anye part thereof as is aforesayde, that

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that then after lawfull monition geue vnto him or them, refusing, neglectinge, or Delaying by the sayde Collectours, or theyr lawefull deputy or deputies, personally, or at theyr churches, do syl by the space of thyrty dayes, refuse, or neglect to make payment of the sayd Subsidye, that then, and in euerye such case, it shalbe lawefull to the sayde collectoure or his lawefull depurpe, euerye such personne so refusing neglectinge, or delaying and contemptinge these former proffesses, to depurpe, amone, and destitute fro his or their benefyce, spiritual promotion, or perris Ecclesiasticall, any appellation, inhibition, or other remedy, ordinary, or extraordinary notwithstanding, the sayde personnes so refusynge, to be and remayne for ever without hope of regre to such their promotion as he or they shalbe depurued of, for the causes aforesaid, by any new presentacion of him or them to be made to the same. And that it shalbe lawefull to the patrone of the sayd benefyce or benefyces, or other Ecclesiastical promotions, from whiche the sayd personne or personnes so neglecting to pay shalbe depurued to present vnto, or conferre euerye suche benefyce or promotion spiritual, as yf the sayde Incumbente, or Incumbentes were deceased.

Item the sayd prelates and clergy further do ordeyne and decre that of so much, as the said Collectours shal be charged within their accountys, cleere to be payde into the receipt of the sayd Eschequer, or to such personne or personnes as it shal please the kyng and Quenes maiesties to appoint for the receipt of the same, shal be allowed to the sayd collectoure vpon his sayd accountys for the same for euerye ponde six pence, by waye of rewarde, or in lieu of his charges, collection, portage, conueying, and paying of the sayd Subsidye.

Is provided alwayes that no spiritual promotion, or any landes possessions, or reuenues annexed to the same, beyng charged by this graunte or acte of the prouince of Canterbury, or any goodes or chattelles growinge, beyng or renewyng of the same, or apperteynyng to the owners of the same spiritual promotions, shal be charged or made contrybutoye to anye. xv. or anye other Subsidye all readye graunted, or within fyue yeres next ensuynge the date of this prelet to be graunted by the laytie to the kyng and quenes highnes.

Item the sayde prelates and clarge further graunte, that all Deanes, Archdeacons, Dignities, prebendaries, preachers, and petre Canons of al Cathedral & Collegiate Churches within the sayd prouince, shalbe charged with this Subsidye for their owne portyng onelye, thereof to paye eyght shyllynge of the ponde, wyth in the sayd four yeres, as is aboue rehearsed, and that those portyngs of tentes, and reuenues wherby theyr highnes, or any of theyr noble

noble progenitors, or any other persons have given unto the said cathedral or Collegiate churches, for the maintenance of poore and scole masters, officers, grammar, choristers, and others officers and ministers, not to be charged with any parte of this Subsidy. And also that every parson, vicar, or spiritual man payinge any pension to her of no allowance is made in the valuation of his layde benefice, in the records of the sayde late court of sayd rates or elsewhere, or otherwise, shal and maye retayne two shyllinges of every ponde, of every such pension, every year, duringe the sayde fourre years, to his own reliefe, in consideration that he is charged to paye his Subsidy of eght shyllinges of the ponde, out of every pound of the sayde pension. Any thing to the contrary notwithstanding.

And also that where certayne landes, tenementes, retes, tithes, pensions, portuons, frutes, and other hereditamentes, lately belonging to divers cathedral churches, and other places ecclesiastical, within the sayde pounte of Canterbury, or any other parts of the pountes, goyng out or being payde out of the sayd landes, tenementes, and other the premises, or any of them, whiche have been assigned to be bestowed, and spent to & by the fynding & maintenance of certayne chauncerys, universites, obitres, scholares, lampes, and other lyke thinges, intences, & purposes, be of late come into the handes and possession of the king and quenes maiesties, our Soueraygne Lord and Lady, by force of a statute therof made in the first yere of the reigne of our late Soueraygne lord king Edward the first, as by the same statute more playnely appeareth. That the sayde cathedral churches and the Deanes or presidents, and chapters of the same, and al other places and persones to whome the said landes, retes, and al other the premises, or any of them did lately appertayne, shal not be charged to and with any contribution or paymente of this Subsidy, of and for that parte or portion wherunto the king and quenes maiesties, be and hath benue entitled or possessed of heretofore, and for any the sayde yearely paymentes, goyng out, or payde out of the premises, or any parte thereof. But that this sayd Subsidy shal be underhande to be chargeable and dew only of al and singuler landes, tenementes, retes, tithes, pensions, portuons, frutes, and other hereditamentes, which do yet shal remayne, not disseuered from the handes and possession of the sayd cathedral churches and other the places and persones aforesayd. And that deduction and allowance be made to them and every of them, in the paymente of the sayde Subsidy, out of the valuation, taxation, and estimation made for the payment of the sayd Disme, remaininge of record in the king & quenes maiesties court of the Exchequer, for that rate

rate and portion of yearly payment which is come into the hands and possession of our sayde Soueraygne lord and lady, of other tolls levied from the possessions of the sayde cathedral churches, and of other places and parsons asforesayd by force of the Statute made in this behalf, provided also that every parson and vicar, whose benefice is above the valuation of fyne poundes, and not above the fourth pence shillings and four pence, after the rate of the late perpetual tenth shal paye every yeare of the sayd four peaces only, six shillings eight pence, as stipendary prebends of eyght pound yearly wages be now charged to do by force of this act, and graunt, and none other wyse. And that al parsons and vicars, whose benefices be of the valuation of fyne pounde or vnder, after the rate of the sayde late perpetual Tenth, shal not be charged nor chargeable with this Subsidy of anye parte thereof.

Provided also that this Subsidy graunted by the cleargy shal not be demanded or levied oute of anye benefice, house of students, or colledge, situate or let within the Universites of Oxforde and Cambridge, or of any benefice, or other revenues, unto any house of students, or colledge in Oxforde or Cambridge, vnder appoynted, or appertaining, or of the colledge of Eaton, nigh wmdelowe or of the Colledge of Winchester, founded by William de Wykeham, sometime Bisshope of Winchester, or any poymen, women or children, living of almshouse, in any hospitall, almshouse, almshouse hall, or of grammar schooles, or of any other church or benefice, or of any other revenues of the sayde houses, Colleges, or hospitalls, almshouse houses, or almshouse halls, or grammar schooles, or to any of the same appoynted or otherwise appertaining.

Provided also that every prelate and al other late professed religious persons, having a portion by reason of the dissolution of the late Monasteries, Colledges, free Chappells, Chauntries, Fraternities, Guildes, and hospitalls, or any other incorporation, within the diocese of Canterburie, and beyng of the summe of forty shillings or vnder, and not above shal not be charged or chargeable to the said Subsidy of anye parte thereof, for any such pension of forty shillings or vnder. Any thinge conteyned in this graunt to the contrary notwithstanding.

Finallye the sayde prelates and Cleargy, beyng desirous that the sayde Subsidy maye be entierly contented and payde to thuse of the kynge and Quenes Majesties, within the sayde four peaces to graunt, ordeyne, and decree, that if it shal happen in the end of the sayde four peaces, anye arerages of the sayd Subsidy, to be beynde hapayde by reason of the exilicte, and decay of any benefices or other spiritual promotions, liable to this Subsidy. That then it shalbe

shalbe laweful to euery Archbyschoppe and Byschoppe, within thei seuerall Diocesse, by the consente of his cleargye, and the Sea being voyde, to the Deane and Chapter of that Sea void, to asseesse & take al and singuler the ecclesiastical promotions, within thei sayd seuerall Diocesse, to become contributoys to the ful satisfaction of the said Subsidy, the same to be collected, leuied, and payd the nexte yeare immediately ensuyng the sayd fourth yeare, at the dayes and vnder the paines, to me, & qualittes aboue limited. Anye thinge in this graunt to the contrary notwithstanding.

And for the true and sure payment of this Subsidy graunted by the sayd Bishops and Clergy of the prouince of Canterbury accordyng to the tenor, purport, effect, and true meaning of this presente instrument. The said Bishops and Clergy moost humble desyre and requyre the kyng and Quenes most excellent Maesties, that it may be enacted by auctorite of this present parliament, that the prouysons conteyned in the foresayd graunt, shal stande good and effectual to all intentes and purposes, and mentioned in the sayde graunt. And that al processe & penalties, & al other clauses touchyng the payment of the sayd Subsidy, and the leuyinge and collectyon of the same, and of euery pertel thereof, maye be by the sayde Bishops and Clergy, and thei lawefull deputies, putte in due execution accordyng to the true meanyng thereof, withoute incurringe any penalties or daungers of anye lawes and statutes of this Realme.

And for the true and sure payment of the sayd Subsidy, graunted by the sayd Bishops and cleargy, of the sayd prouince of Canterbury accordyng to the tenor, effecte, and true meaning of the said instrument. Be it enacted by the kyng and Quenes Maesties, with the sent of the lordes spiritual and temporal, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, and by the auctorite of the same, that the sayd gaffe and graunt, and euery matter, summe of monye, prouision, clause, and sentence in the sayd instrument conteyned be ratified & established, and confirmed by thair writte aforesayd.

And furthermore be it enacted by the auctorite aforesayd, that euery personne that shalbe appointed to the collection and gathering of the sayd Subsidy, shall haue full power and auctorite to leue, take and perceiue the same Subsidy, by the auctorite of the sentence of the church, in manner and forme as in the said instrument of graunt is conteyned, without daunger of the lawes of this realme, or by default upon the possession of the tithes & occupiers of the landes, and tithementes, chargeable by the said instrument, for to the payment of any summe of monye, or otherwise by the discretion of the collector thereof. And that no repleui, prohibicion,

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superfedias shalbe allowed, or obeyed for any person or persons, making default of payment of the sayd Subledy, contrary to the tenor of the grauntes thereof. vntyll such tyme as they haue truly satisfied and contented al such part and portions, as to the in that behalfe appertayneth. And that euerye such fermour and fermoures, theyr executors and assignes, that shal fortune hereafter, to be charged to and wyth the payment of the sayde Subledye, or any part therof shal by auctorite aforesayd, be allowed and retayne in his handys as much of his yerely rent, and ferme, as the summe to which he shal fortune to paye for his Loyde or lessoz shal extend vnto, except the said fermor or fermours, their executors and assignes, by lease & graunte that they haue of anye part of the landes, & tenementes, chargeable to this sayde Subledye, or by force of any couenaut or article, therein conteyned, be bounden and charged to paye the same, and thereof to discharge their leasoz & landeloz, during the terme mentioned in the sayde lease.

It is ordeyned alwayes and bee it enacted by thaurthorite of this present parliament, that euery lay person hauing a spiritual promotion chargeable by this acte, and also hauing temporal possessions, goods, cattells, debtes, chargeable to this Subledy, graunted by the temporalite, shalbe charged, taxed, and set for his sayde spiritual promotions with the clearge and for his sayde temporal possessions and cattells wyth the temporalite, and not other wyse, any thing befoze mentioned to the contrary notwithstanding.

And be it further enacted, by thaurthorite of this present parliament, that the sayd archbishops, and Bishops, and other persons chargeable to and with the collection of the sayde Subledy of right shyllinges of the pounde, wythin the sayd prouince of Canterbury, shal haue vpon every payment thereof made in the quenes court of the eschequer, or els where the king and quenes Maiesties shal appoynte the same to be payed, a sufficient acquittance in writing, of such person or persons, as their maiesties shal appoynt for the receypt therof, the same acquittance witnessing the same receipt of as much of the same summe of the same Subledy, as shalbe by any of them so receyued, and euery such acquittance, in writing sealed, & subscribed with the name or names of euery such person or persons that so by their highnesses appoyntment shal receyue any of the said summes of money, shalbe as good and effectual in the lawe, and as a sufficient discharge, to all intents, constructions, and purposes, as if it were made by acte of Parliament. And that euerye personne and personnes, which shal haue and receyue any suche acquittance shal paye but ouer two pence for euery of the same acquittances.

Be it also further enacted by the authoritie aforesayde, that all and every graunt and grauntes of al and every Summe and Summes of money which hereafter shalbe graunted to the king and Queenes by the clergy of the province of Yorke, shalbe of the same strength, force, and effecte, in al thinges as the sayde graunte made by the sayde province of Canterbury, and shalbe rated, certified, collected, leaved, and gathered according to the tenoure, fourme, and effecte of this present acte of parliament, to al intents, constructions and purposes, in suche manner as though it were specially, plainly, and particularly expressed and rehearsed in this acte by expresse wordes, termes, and sentences in thei several natures and kyndes.

Provided alwayes and be it enacted by the authoritie aforesaid that al provisions before rehearsed, conteyned in the sayd grant of the prelates and clearge of the province of Canterbury, and the like of the same provisions hereafter to be conteyned in the graunte of the prelates and clearge of the province of yorke, shal be good and effectual and to be observed and kept in everye poynte and article, according to the true purpose and meaninge of the same.

In Act of a Subsidy, and one systeme graunted by the Temporalite.

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WE THE KING AND Queenes maiesties, mooste humble, faithfull, and obedient Subiectes, Lords spiritual and temporal and the commons in this present parliament assembled, calling to our remembrance the great and manifold charges, which theyr graces have already incurred by the reason of this present war, that their highnes have had, and yet have against the french king and Scottes, the ancient enemies of this realme, and perceiving also that the malice of the same french king and Scottes are such that they have and dayly do practice by all dishonorable waies and meanes, with the aide and power of all thei confederacies and allies, to annoy their maiesties, and this thei realme, and other thei dominions of the same, and by all likelihoode, yf opportunity of time and place shalperuenue, do intend to

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make some invasion into sundry partes of this realme, as wel vpon the Sea coast as els where, which yf it should happen, would be noo small annoyauce as well to theyr Maiesties, as to the hole State of this Realme. for the boyle prevention and resistance wherof (lest any such shuld happē to be attempted) their highnes shalbe enforced not onely to maineine a conuenient number, and nauy of shippes vpon the narrowe Seas, but also a greate power & number of Souldyours to continue in diuers and sondry partes of the borders & frontiers of thys realme, redy prepared to al purposes, to resist al such malicious attemptes or invasions, and to defend the libertie & honour thereof, which cannot be put in order and redines, without greate Summes of money, to be defraid & employed for the same. And furthermore considering that the same shal not be onely for the suertye of their maiesties personnes (whom we pray to God may long raigne ouer vs,) and likewise for the suertye of thys realme, and theyr Maiesties louyng Subiectes of the same, but also maye be a greate terrour, feare, and discouragement to the sayd french kynge and Scottes, and al theyr confederates, and allies, to attempt anye such invasion or other enterpryse. Haue graunted vnto our sayd Soueraigne lady, her heires & successours, one Subsidy, and one xv. and tenth to be taxed, rated, and levied of our goodes, cattells, landes, & tenementes in maner and fourme as hereafter in this present act is limited and conteyned. And albeit that we doubt not but our sayde most gracious Soueraigne lord and lady assure them selues, that we their gracious most louyng subiectes, knowe the same to be farre vnder the charges which theyr maiesties are like to susteine in this behalfe. Yet neuerthelesse we most humbly beseech theyr highnes to accepte thys our geite, as a declaration of our true and most faithfull hartes wolo, and by gods assistance alwayes shalbe, by al waies & meanes, and in al respectes, ready to serue with al conformitie and obedience for the preservation of theyr most royal personnes, & defence and suertye of thys theyr maiesties realme and dominions, as to the dutye of good and obedient subiectes appertayneth.

Wherefore we the sayd lordes and commons, for the great & urgent considerations aforesayd, by one hole assent, by auctoritie of this the first parliament, do geue and graunt to our said soueraigne Lady, the quenes highnes, her heires and successours, towards the sayd greate costs and inestimable charges, one xv. and tenth to be payde, raised & levied of the honourable goodes, cattells, and other thinges vnto such xv. and tenth, to be contented, and chargeable vnto the Shires, Cities, Buroughes, townes, & other places of this thesre maiesties realme, in maner and fourme aforesaid, except the summe of fift thousand pounds the year, to be deducted of the same that

that one hole. xv. and tenth atteyneth vnto in releife. coforte and discharge of the pore cities, towne, & boroughes of this her sayd realme trobled desolate, or destroyed, or ouer greatly empouerished, after such rate as was and hath afore this time ben had and made vnto e uery Shire, and so be deuyded in such maner and forme as heretofore for one hole. xv. and tenth hath ben had and demided.

And the sayd one hole. xv. and tenth, the exceptions and deducti ons afore sayd therupon hadde, deducted and allowed, to be payd in maner, and fourme folowing. That is to saue the hole. xv. and tenth to be payde to her assignes in the receypte of her highnes eschequer, before the tenth daye of November next comming.

And be it further enacted by the authorite afore sayde, that the knightes elected & returned of, & for the Shires within this realme for this present Parliament, Citezens of Cyties, and Burgesles of Boroughes and townes, wher collectours haue bene vsed to be named and appoynted for the collectiō of any. xv. and tenth, before this time graunted, shall name and appoynte before the laste day of August next comming, sufficient and able persons for the Collection of the sayd. xv. and tenth, in euery of the said Shires, Cities, boroughes and townes, the sayde personnes then hauing landes, tenementes, and other hereditamentes, in his owne righte, of an estate of inheri tance of the vcerye value of tenne pounds, or in goodes worth one hundred shillings of the least. And also such person or persons, so by them to be named and appointed for the collection of the sayd. xv. & tenth, shalbe by them severally apoynted, & allotted into hundreds, Wapentakes, cities, boroughes, & townes. And also the said persons so named and appointed for the collectiō of the same. xv. and tenth, shalbe charged and chargeable vpon his or their account, or accounts in the eschequer, to be made with al such summe or sum mes of money, as the hundredes, wapentakes, cities, boroughes and townes where he or they shal so happen to be appointed amount vnto, and of no more summe or summes.

And vpon the payment of suche Summes of money, as he shal be charged with, shall he be discharged and haue hys Quietus est, the none accountinge, or none payment of any other his fellowes, or insufficiencye of them or anye of them notwithstandinge. And the names and surnames of euery of the sayd Collectours for the sayde xv. and tenth together, with the place allotted to theyr Collection & charge, the sayd knightes, citizens, & Burgesles for Shires, cities, and boroughes wherunto they be elected, named, & returned, shal certifie before the kyng and quene in theyr chancery, before the xiiij day of October nowe nexte folowinge, accordinge to the tenore of this acte. And yf defaulte of any such certifieng be hadde or made, in

fourme as is abovesayd, then the lord Chaimcellour of Englad for the time being, shal immediately, after name and appointe Collectours for the collection of the same. xv. s. tenth, in maner & fourme as the sayd knightes of the shire, citizens of cities, and Burgesles of Burroughes shoulde have done, and as aforesayd have bene bled.

The which sayde collectours and every of them shal have like allowance upon theyr accountes for theyr fees, wages, & rewards for the collection of the sayd xv. s. and tenth, in as large manner & fourme as any collectour or collectours of xv. s. and tenth, have had at anye season in time past. And that the Barons of the kinge and Quenes Exchequer for the time being, shal and may from time to time awarde such proces for the speedy payment thereof agaynst the collectoure and collectours of the same, as by theyr discretions shal be thought conveniente.

Wherbynt alway and be it enacted by the auctoritie of this present parliament, that the sayd Lord Chaimcellour knightes of the shires, Citizens of Cities, and Burgesles of Burroughes, to wones, and other places, having auctoritie by this presente acte, to name and nominate the sayde Collectours, of or for the said xv. s. tenth and tenth shal upon theyr nomination and election had and made, take by auctoritie of this present parliament, sufficient recognisaunce, or by obligation of every personne so by them to be named to be bound to the kinge and Quenes Majesties in the double Summe of theyr collection, and to be endorced upon such condition, that if the sayde collectours or collectours do truly consente and paye to the use of the kyng and Quene in theyr recepyt of the sayd Exchequer before the sayde tenth day of November nowe nexte ensuyng, so much of the Summe of mony allotted and appointed to his collectis, as the same Collectours shal have collected and gathered. And do likewise after the sayd tenth day of the moneth of November, consente and pay to the kyng and Quenes Majesties bys at the same recepyt, the resydue of his collection & charge within one moneth nexte after such tyme as he shal have gathered & collected the same resydue, that then the sayd recognisaunce or obligation to be doide, or ells to stand in his full strength and vertue, whiche recognisaunce or obligation to taken, the said knightes of the shire, Citizens & burgesles and every of them, takinge wiche such recognisaunces or obligatibis, shal certifie and beswore to the Lord Tresurer & Barones of the same Exchequer, before the sayd tenth day of November nowe nexte ensuyng, upon payne of forfeiture of tenne pounde to the Quene for every recognisaunce or obligation so to be taken and not certified.

And that every suche collectours upon request to hym made shal make

make & knowlege the same recognisance or obligation according
lye, vpon like payne and forfeiture of tenne pound to the Quene for
his refusal thereof. And that the Treasurer or Barons of the exche-
quer vpon the payment of the same collection, or at the sayd day, shall
cancel and deliuer the sayd recognisance or obligation to the sayde
collectoure, or collectours, without any fee, or reward to be payd to
any person for the same.

And further more for the greates and weyghty considerations a-
foresaid, we the Lordes Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons
in this present Parliament assembled, do by our lyke assent and au-
thority of this present Parliament, geue and graunt to our said So-
ueraygne Lady the Quenes Heiress, her heyres and Successours
our sayd Subsidye, to be rated, rated, leuied, and paid at one hole
and entyre paymēt, of euery personne Spiritual and Temporal
of what estate or degree he or they be, according to the tenour of this
act, in manner and forme following. That is to saye, as well of eu-
ery person bothe within this realme of England, Wales, or other
the Quenes Dominions, as of al and euery Feoffment, Curie, cor-
poration, Priory, Brotherhode, and Compulsey, corporated or
not corporated, within this realme of England, Wales, or other the
Quenes Dominions, beyng worth tye pounde, for euery pounde, as
well in copie, and the value of euery pound that euery such person,
Feoffment, Curie, Corporation, Priory, Brotherhode, and Co-
mpulsey, Corporate or not corporate, hath of his or theyr owne, or
any other to his or theyr use, as also plate, stocke, of marchaundises,
all maner of coine and blades, household stuffe, and of al other goods
moueable, as well within this Realme as withoute, and of all suche
summes of mony as to him or them is or shalbe owing, wherof he or
they trau in his or their consciences surely to be payde (excepte and
oute of the premises deducted such summes of mony as he or they
owe, and in his or theyr consciences truly intendeth to paye, and ex-
cepte also the apperell of such personnes, theyr wiues and children
belonging to their owne bodies, sauing Jewels, golde, silver, stone &
pearle) shal paye to and for the sayd Subsidye, two shyllynges eight
pence of euery pounde.

And also of euery alien bothe oute of the Quenes obeyssaunce,
as well within as other, inhabitinge within the Realme of euery
pounde that he or they haue in copie, and the value of euery pounde
in plate, coine, Jewels, marchaundises, household stuffe or other goods
moueable, as well within this Realme as withoute, and of all summes of mony to him
or them owing, wherof he or they trau in his or theyr conscience or co-
sciencies to be paid (excepte and of the same premises deducted euery
suche

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suche Summe of Summes of money which he or they doo owe, and in
 his or their consciences or consciences intenderth truly to pay) shal pay
 of and for every pounde, to and for the payment of the sayd Subse-
 dye fyve shyllinges foure pence for every pounde.

And also that every alien and stranger, borne out of the queenes
 Dominions, beinge Denizen or not Denizen, not beinge contributorye
 to anye of the rates abovesayd, shal paye to and for the paymente of
 the sayde Subsidy, eyght pence for every poll, and the marster, or be
 or she with to whom the same alien is or shalbe abiding at the tyme of
 the taxation or taxations thereof to be charged, with the same for
 lacke of paymente thereof.

And be it further enacted by the auctorite aforesayd, that every
 person borne under the queenes obedience, and every corporation, fra-
 ternite, guild, mistery, brotherhode, and communitie corporate or
 not corporate, for every pound that every of the same personnes and
 every corporation, fraternite, guild, mistery, brotherhed and com-
 munitie, corporate or not corporate, or any other to his or their use hath
 in fee simple, fee taylor, for terme of life, terme of yeares, by execution
 towards, or by reppre of courts, real of and in any honours, castles,
 manours, landes, tenementes, rentes, services, hereditamentes, an-
 nuities, fees, commodities, or other yearly profits, of the yearly va-
 lue of twenty shyllinges, as well within sufficient demaine, as other
 places privileged, as elles where, and so by wordes, shal paye to and
 for the paymente of the sayde Subsidy, foure shyllinges of every
 pounde.

And everye alien borne out of the Queenes obedience, in such
 case, to paye at the sayde payment eyght shyllinges of everye pound

And that al summes presented and chargeable by this act, either
 for goodes and debtes, or for landes and tenementes and other the
 premised, as in this acte conteyned, shalbe at the sayd paymente set
 and taxed after the rate and portion, according to the true meaning
 of this acte (landes and tenementes chargeable to the dioces of the
 clergy, and yearly wages due to servauntes for their yearly service
 (other then the kinge and Queenes servauntes, takinge yearly wa-
 ges of fyve poundes or above, onely except and supplied) And that al
 plate, corne, welle, goodes, debtes, and cattells personalles, charge
 in the onely custodie of anye personne and personnes, to the use of
 anye corporation, fraternite, guild, mistery, brotherhed, or anye
 communitie, beinge corporate or not corporate, be and shal be rated
 set and charged by reason of this acte, as the value certified by the pre-
 senters or that certificate to be summe of every pounde in goodes &
 debtes as is abovesayde. And of every pound in lande, tenementes,
 annuities, fees, commodities, or other yearly profits, as is abovesayd,

And

And the sommes that are before rehearsed, set and rated, to be leu-
ed and taken of them that shal haue such goods in custodie, or other
wise charged for lands as is before rehearsed. And the same person
or personnes, and body corporate by shauthearty of this act, shal be
discharged agaynst him or them, that shal. ought to haue the same
at the tyme of the paymente or deliuerie thereof, or at his other wise
Departure from the custodie or possession of the same (excepts and al
wayes forwylded from the charge and assessement, of this subledye, all
goods, cattells, Jewells, and ornaments of Churches and Chappells,
which haue ben ordeined and vled in Churches or chappells, for the
honoure and seruice of almighty G. D.) And this payment of the
sayd subledye shal be by authority aforesaid, rated, assessed, and rated
according to this acte, in euery Shyre, Riding, Lath, wapentake
Bape, city, Borrough, towne, & every other place within this realm
of Englande and wales, and othen the Queenes dominions, before
the laste daye of Aprill nexte commynge.

And the pertyculer Summes of euery Shyre, Riding, Bore
roughe, Towne, and other places aforesayde, with the pertyculer na
mes of suche as are chargeable for and to the paymente of the sayde
Subledye, to be rated and sette by the commissiouners to the same li
mitted, or two of them at the laste, with the names of the high Col
lectours, and in the same tournys shal be certified in the hynge and
Queenes Elcheer, before the laste daye of Maye nexte commynge,
with the names of the high Collectours of the same. And the sayde
Summes in manner and forme aforesayde, to be rated for the pay
ment of the sayde Subledye, shal be payde in the hynge and Queenes
Receypts of their Elcheers aforesaid, to the use of our sayd Soue
raigne Ladye, before the xxiii. daye of June next commynge. And
the Summes of and for the sayd Subledye, shal be rated, sette, asked
and demaunded, taken, gathered, leuied, and payde to the use of our
sayd Soueraygne Ladye, and her heires and Suerelours in forme
abovesaid, as wel within the liberties, franchises, boroughs, &
auuncieue demeane, and other what other places, cities, or townes, &
emptye, as withoute, excepts such places, and personnes as
shal be exempted in and by this present acte, or by any graunt, charter, com
mission, bye, or libertie, by reason of any letters patents, or other pri
ueleges, precriptions, allowance of the same, or in whatsoeuer other
matter of discharge heretofore to the contrary made, graunted, vled,
or ordeined, notwithstanding.

And it is furth enacted by the authority of this present parlia
mente, that euery person, personne, or body, such as he, shal be under the
queenes obeyssaunce, as euery other person, personne, or body, shal be,
zen or not denizen inhabityng within this realme, or within wales,
of

or other the Duchies Dominions, which at the tyme of the same assesse-
ment or taxation to be hadde or made, shal be out of this Realme, and
out of Wales, and have goodes or cattels, lands, or tenements, fees
or annuities, or other profits within this realm, or in Wales, shal be
charged and chargeable for the same, by the certificate of the inhabi-
tantes of the parties wher such goodes, cattels, lands, tenements,
or other the premises then shal be, or in such other place, where such
personne or his factor deputy or attorney, shal have his moost re-
sidence within this realm or in Wales, in like manner as if the said
personne were or hadde ben at the tyme of the said assessing within
this Realme, And that every personne abiding or dwellinge with
in this Realme or without this Realme, shal be charged or chargea-
ble to the same Subsidie, granted by this act according, and after
rate of such yearly substance, or value of landes and tenements
goodes, and cattels, and other the premises, as every person to
be charged shal be set at the tyme of the sayde assessing or taxation
upon him to be made, and in none other wyse.

And furthermores be it enacted by the authoryte aforesayd, that
for the assessing and other thinge of the sayde Subsidie to be duely
hadde, the Lord Chancellor of Englande, or the keeper of the
great Seale, the Lord Treasurer of Englande, the Lord Steward
of the Kings and Queens honorable household, the Lord
Chamberlaine of the Kings and Queens honorable household, the Lord
of the Exchequer, or any one of them at the least, wherof the
Lord Chancellor of Englande, or keeper of the great Seale for the
time beinge, shall one, shal and maye name and appointe, of and for
every Shyre and Riding, and other places wherwithin this realm
as in Wales, and other the queens dominions, and also of a for every
County and Towne, beinge a countie in it self, and of, and for the
City of Wight, such certayn number of persons, of every of the sayd
Shyres, Ridings, Counties, Hundreds, Cities, Townes
and Towns of borough, and every other place, and other the inhabitants
of the same, to be named and named in the same, wherof they be in-
habitantes, and also of and by the honorable household of the que-
ens household, and the Lady Elizabethes grace, in what Shyre or
other places, the sayde householders shal happen then to be, And the
Lord Chamberlaine and other worthie men before named in like ma-
ner, maye name and appointe of every other such Burrough, and
town corporate, aswel in Englande as in Wales, and other the que-
ens dominions as they shal thinke requisite, the four, four, three, or
two of the head officers, and other such honorable inhabitants of
every of the sayd Cities, Burroughes, and Townes Corporate, ac-
cording

cordinge to the number and multitude of people beyng in the same. The whiche personnes yf anie suche be thereunto named, of the said inhabitantes of the sayd Bozroughes, and Townes Corporate, not beyng countyes in them selves, shalbe ioyned and put in as commissioners, with the personnes named for such Shyres, and Ridings, as the sayde Bozroughes, and townes corporate, not beinge countyes in them selves, be set and haue their beyng, which personnes so named for and of the sayde bozroughes, & townes corporate, not beinge countyes, by reaso of their dwelling in the same, shal not take vpon the none of the to put any part of their commission in execution for the premises out of the sayd Bozroughes and Town Corporate, wherin they beyng so named onely for the same be dwellinge. And also not to execute the sayde commission within the Bozrough or Town corporate, wher the be so dwelling, but at such dayes and times, as the said other commissioners for the same Shyre, and Riding shal thereto limite and appoynt, within the same Bozrough or towne Corporate, not beinge county Corporate, wherof they so be, & not oute of suche Bozroughe or towne, and in that manner to be aduynge and assisting with the sayde other commissioners, in, and for the good executing of the effect of the sayde commission, vpon payne of euery of the sayde Commissioners so named for euery such cytye Bozrough, and town corporate, not beinge a county, to make such fine as the sayde other commissioners in the commission of, & for the said shire or riding so named, or thye of the at the leaste, shal by their discretions sette and rectifie into the kinge and Queenes Exchequer, there to be leuied to the vse of her Maieste, in like manner as such or lyke Summes had ben sette and rated vpon euery such personne for the said Subsidy. The which commissioners so named of & for the sayd Cytyes, Bozroughes, and Townes, not beinge countyes, & ouerly putte in the sayde commission by reasonne of their dwelling in the same, shal not haue any parte of the portion of the fees, and rewardes of the Commissioners and their clerkes, in this acte afterwarde specified. And the lord Chauncellour of Englande, and heper of the kinge and Queenes greates Seal for the time beinge, shal make and directe oute of the courts of Chauncery, vnder the king & queenes greates Seal, severall commission, That is to saye, to euery Shire, Riding, Lath and apentake, Rape, Cytye, Towne, Bozrough, Ville and householde, unto suche personne and personnes, as by his discretion and either woth him afore named and appoynted in like manner & forme as is afore rehearsed, shalbe thought sufficient for the scalinge and leuyng of the same Subsidy, in al shires and places, accordyng to the true meaninge of thes acte, vnder the Commission for the payment of the sayde Subsidy, shalbe directed and deliuered

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lyuered to the sayde commissioners, or to one of them before the first
Days of Apryll nexte comminge, and to euery of the sayde commissi-
ons tenne Schedules, conteyninge in theym the tenoure of thys acte,
shal be affyled, by the which commission the commissioners in euery
such commission, named, accordyng to this acte, and as many of the
as shal be appoynted by the same commission, shal haue full power
and aucthority to putte the effect of the same commission in executi-
on.

And that by the aucthority of this acte, after such commission to
them dyrected, they maye by theyr assentes and agrementes, seuer
them selues for the execution of theyr commissio, in hundredes, lathes,
wardes, and rapes, wapentakes, toynes, parishes, and other pla-
ces, wythin the lymittes of theyr sayd commissio, in such forme as to
them shal seme expedient to be ordered, and betwene them to be com-
moned and agreed, accordyng to the tenoure and effecte of the com-
mission to them therein dyrected, vpon which seuerance euery per-
some of this present parliament that shalbe commissioner, shalbe as-
signed in the hundred wherein he dwelleth.

Provided alwayes that no personne be or shalbe compelled to be
any commissioner, to and for the executyon of this presente Acte, but
onely in the Shyre where he dwelleth and inhabiteth. And that e-
uery personne being assigned to the contrary thereof, in any wyse
shal not be compelled to putte in executyon the effect of this act, or a-
nye parte thereof.

And it is also enacted by the aucthority of this present parliamēt
that the commissioners and euery of them which shalbe named, ly-
mitted and appoynted accordyng to this acte, to be commissioners in
euery such Shyre, Ryding, Lath, Wapentake, Rape, Cytye, towne,
Borough, Tille, and the same householdes, or anye other places, a-
none other shal truely, effectually, and diligently for theyr parte,
execute the effect of this present acte, accordyng to the tenoure therof
in euery behalfe, and noo other wyse by any other meanes, wythout
omission, fauour, dreade, malice, or anye other thing to be attempted
and done by them or any of them to the contrary therof. And the same
Commissioners and as many of them as shalbe apoynted by the same
commission, and none other for the executyon of the same Commissio
and acte, shal for the taxation of the same paymente of the Subse-
dye before the first Daye of Apryll nexte comminge, by vertue of the com-
missions deliuered vnto them in fourme abovesayde, direct their se-
ueral or ioynt precept vnto everye, seven, six, fyue, foure, or thre, or mo-
as for the number of the inhabitants shalbe requyrite, of the most
substantiall discrete, and honest persons inhabitants, to be named
by the sayd commissioners, or by as many of them as shalbe appoynted

ted by the sayd commission of s in hundredes, lathes, rapes, wapentakes, wardes, parishes, to wnes, and other places, as wel within liberties, franchises, auncient demeane, places exempted & sanctuaryes as without, within the limites of the shires, ridinges, lathes, wapentakes, rapes, Cities, Townes, burroughes, or the aforesayd and other places within the limites of the sayd commission, unto the costables, subconstables, bailiffes, and other like officers, or ministers of euery of the same hundredes, townes, wardes lathes, wapentakes, parishes, and other places beforesayd, as to the same commissioners and euery number of them, or vnder thye, or two of them by their discretion in diuision shal seme expedient, as by the manner & vse of that parties shalbe requisite. Straighly by the same precept chargeinge and commaunding the same inhabitantes, costables, and other of thers aforesayde, to whome such precept shalbe soo dyrected to appear in their proper persones, before the sayd Commissioners, or such number of them as they shal deuyde them selues, according to the tenour of the sayd commission, at certayne dayes and places, by the sayd commissioners or any number of them as is aforesayde, within Cities, Burroughes, and to wnes Corporate, or without in any other place, as is aforesayd, by thers discretions, shal be limited ther vnto to do and accompysh the al that to them on the party of the king and Quenes maiesties, shalbe enioyned touching thys acte. Commmaunding further by the same precept, that he to whose hands such precept shal come, shal shew or deliuer the same to the other inhabitantes or officers named in the sayd precepts, & that none of them fayle to accomplishe the same vpon paine of forty shyllinges to be forfeyted to the quenes Maiestie.

And it is further ordeyned by the auctorite of thys presente parliamente, that euery of the Commissioners then beinge, in the shire, and hauing noo sufficient excuse for his absence, shal at the day and place prefixed, for that parte wherunto he was limited to appear in his proper personne. And ther the same Commissioners beinge presente, or absente as shalbe appoynted by the kyng and quenes Commission, shal cal or cause to be called before them the sayde inhabitantes, and officers, to whom they haue directed their sayde precepts, and wherch hadde in commaundement there to appear by the sayd precept, of the sayde Commissioners, and if any person soo warned make default, or if he then be letten by sickness or laweful excuse, and that let then be witnesssed by the othes of two credible persons, or if any appearing refuse to be sworn in forsworn following to forfeyt to the kyng and quenes maiesties forty shyllinges, and soo at euery tyme appoynted by the sayd commissioners for the sayde taxations vnto such tyme the number of euery such per

sonnes, haue appeared and certified in forme vnder written, & en-
type of them, so making default, or refusing to be sworn: so forseyre
to the kyng and queenes grauntis, forpmyllinges. And vpon the
same appearance had, one of the most substantial inhabitants or
officers so being warned and appearing before the sayd Commis-
sioners, shalbe sworn vpon a booke openly before the commissioners in
fouleme folowynge: I shal certelie petyple with my felowes, that shal
be charged with me of the hundred, wapentake, ward, towne or o-
ther place, of the best and most value of the substance of euery per-
son dwelling & abiding within the limites of the places, that I &
my felowes shalbe charged with, and of other, which shal haue bys
or they, most resort vnto any of the sayd places, & chargeable with
any summe of monye, by this act of the sayd statute, and of al other
articles that I shalbe charged with touching the sayd acte, and ac-
cordinge to the intent of the same. And ther vpon as nere as it may
be, or shal come to my knowledge, truly to proffert and certify before
you the names, surnames, and the best and bettermost substance &
values of euery of them, aswel of landes, tenementes, and other here
ditamentes, possessions, and profittes, as of goodes, cattels, debtes
and other thynges chargeable by the sayd acte, withoute any con-
ceyment, loue, fauour, affection, dread, feare, or malice, as nere as
God wyl geue me grace, so helpe me God and the holy contentes of
this booke.

And euery other person that shal appeare there by the same pre-
ceptes shal make like oth, and vpon the oth taken as is abovesayd
by the inhabitants and officers of euery hundred, ward, wapen-
take towne or other place, the said commissioners, shal openly there
rede or cause to be red vnto them the sayd rates, and openly declare
the effect of their charge vnto them, in what maner and foum they
ought, and should make their certificate, according to the rates and
summes thereof abovesayd, and of al maner of personnes as well of
altens and straungers, denizens or not denizens, inhabiting within
this realme as of such personnes as be bozne vnder the queenes
obeysaunce chargeable to this acte.

And of the possessions goodes and cattels, of fraternities, guilds
corporations, brotherhodes, misteryes and communaltes, and other
as is abovesayd, and of persons being in the parties of beyonde the
seas, hauing goodes or cattels, landes or tenementes within this
realme as is abovesayd. And of al goodes being in the custode of any
person or personnes, to thuse of any other as is abovesayd, by the
wherby information and shewing the sayd persons should haue such
petyne knowledge of the true intent of this present acte, and of the
maner of their certificate that the same persons shal haue no reso-

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nable cause to excuse them by ignorance. And after such oth a the
 Statute of the sayd Sublede, and the maner of the said certificate
 to be made in writing, conteyning the names and surnames of every
 person, and whither they be borne without the Queenes obey-
 saunce or within, and the best value of every person, in every degre,
 as wel of yearly value of landes & tenements, and of such like pos-
 session and profittes, as the value of goodes and cattels, debts and
 every thing to the certificate requisite and necessary to the Declared
 the sayd Commissioners ther being, shal by their discretions appoint
 and limite vnto the sayd personnes an other day and place to ap-
 peare before the sayd commissioners, and charging the sayd persons
 that they in the meane time shal make diligent enquire by all waies
 and meanes of the premisses, and then and there every of the upon
 payne of forfeiture of xli.s. to the king and Queenes Maiesties, to ap-
 peare at the sayd new prefixed day, and place, thereto certiffy vnto
 the sayd commissioners in writing, accordyng to the sayd charge
 and accordyng to the true intent of the sayd graunt of Sublede, &
 as to them in maner aforesayd hath bene declared & shewed by the
 commissioners. At which daye and place so to them prefixed, yf any
 of the sayd persons make default, or appeare, and refuse to make the
 sayd certificate, that then every of them so offending to forfeit to the
 kyng and queenes Maiesties, forty shyllinges, except only a reason-
 able excuse of his default, by reason of sickness, or other tyme by the
 othes of two credible persons, there witnesssed be had. And of such
 as appeare redy to make certificate, as is aforesayd, the sayd commis-
 sioners there being shal take and receaue the same certificate & eue-
 ry part thereof, & the names and values, & substance of every per-
 son so certiffed. And if the same commissioners see cause reasonable
 they shal examine the sayd presenters thereof, and therupon the said
 commissioners at the sayd dayes and place, by their agreement em-
 ges them selves, shal from time to time openly ther prefixe a day at a
 certayne place or places within the limittes of the sayd commission by
 their discretion, for they further proceeding to the said asselting of
 sayd Sublede, and thereupon at the sayd day of the said certificate
 as is aforesayd taken, the same commissioners shal make they pre-
 cept or preceptes to the constables, subconstables, Balliffes or other
 officers of such hundredes, wapentakes, townes, or other places a-
 fforesayd, as the same commissioners shal be of, compyllynge and con-
 teynyng in the same precept, the names and surnames of al persons
 presented before them in the sayd certificate, of whome yf the sayd
 commissioners or as many of them as shalbe therunto appointed by
 the kyng and queenes commission, shal then haue becomer inspect to
 be of moze greter value or substance in Landes, goodes cattels, or

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summes of monye owyng to the, or other substance beforesaid, the
 upon such person or personnes shalbe certified, the same commissio-
 ners shal make thei precept or preceptes, directed to the constables
 bailiffes, or other officers, to whom such precept shalbe directed, com-
 manding the same constables, bailiffes, or other officers, to warn such
 persons whose names shalbe compyled in the said precept, at their ma-
 sons, or to thei persons, that the same persons named in such pre-
 ceptes, and euery of them, shal personally appeare before the said co-
 missioners, at the same new prefixed day and place, ther to be exami-
 ned by al waies & meanes by the sayd commissioners, of thei grea-
 test substance and best value, and of al and euery summes of mony
 owyng to them, and other whatsoeuer matter concerning the pre-
 mises or any of them, accordinge to this acte. At whiche daye and
 place so prefixed, the sayd commissioners then ther being, or as ma-
 ny of them as shalbe therunto appointed by the kyng and Quenes
 commission shal cause to be called the sayd personnes, whose names
 shalbe compyled in the said precept, as beforesaid, for thei exami-
 nation. And if anye of those persons which shoulde be warned as is
 beforesaid to be examyned, wher at any tyme after the warnynge
 and before the prefixed day, shalbe within such place where he maye
 haue knowledge of his sayd appearaunce to be made, make default
 and appeare not oules a reasonable cause, or els a reasonable excuse
 by the othes of two credible persons before the sayd commissioners
 he truely alleged for his discharge, that then euery of them soo ma-
 kinge defaulte to be rated to the kyng and Quenes Maiesstyes,
 with and at the double summes of the rate that he shuld or ought to
 haue then sette at for and after the best value of his Landes, or sub-
 stance upon him certified, yf he had appeared, by the discretio of
 commissioners then being. And which commissioners shal trauell
 both euery of the persons to then and there appearinge, whose na-
 mes shal be expessed in the sayde precept or preceptes, & in whome
 any vehement suspect was or shal be hadde, in fourme aforesaid, by
 al such waies and meanes they can. And that euery spiritual person
 at the sayd taxations of the sayd Subsidye, shalbe rated and set
 accordyng to the rate abovesayde, of and for euery pounce that the
 same spiritual person or any other to his hie hath by direct bargaine
 or purchase, in fee simple, fee fawle, terme of life, terme of yeres by ex-
 ception, by warde or by copy of corte roll, in any manoures landes,
 tenementes, rentes, seruices offices, fees, corrodies annuities or here
 diamantes, after the true full and yearly value thereof, after and
 accordyng as other the kyng and Quenes Maiesstyes subiects, both
 within this realme be charged in fourme aboue remembred. So that
 it extend to the yearly value of twenty shillinges or aboue. And if
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any person certified or rated by vertue of this act, be he commissioner or other to any maner of value, doth finde him selfe greued with the same assessment, swelling, or taxing, and thereupon complaine to the commissioners before whom he shal be rated, assessed, or taxed, or before two of them. That then the said commissioners shal by attornies and meanes examine perticulerly and distinctly the person so complaining, and other his neighbours by their discretion, of every his lands & tenements aboue specified, and of every his goodes & cellis, and dettes, aboue mencioned, and after due examination and perfect knowledge thereof had and perceiued by the said commissioners, which shal haue power by the auctorite also of said, the sayde commissioners or two of them, to whom any such complaint shalbe made, by their discretions vpon the oth of the said person, for complaining, may abate, defaule, encrease or enlarge the same assessment accordyng as it shal appeare vnto them iuste vpon the same examination. And the same summe so abated, defaulded, encreased, or enlarged, to be straited in fourm as hereafter ensueth, so that he come before the straites of the same assessing be deliuered by the said commissioners, into the kyng and Duches maiesties chekers. And if he be moued by witnesse, his own confession, or other lawfull wayes or meanes, within a yere after any such oth made, that the same person so taxed & sworn was of any better or greter value in lands, goodes or other thynges aboue specified at the tyme of his said oth, then the same person so sworn shal declare vpon his said oth that then & there the same person so offending, shal lose and forfeite to the kyng & Duches maiesties so much in lawfull money of England as the said person so sworn was let at or taxed to pay. And any person so straited & taxed as is also sayd, shal be bound and charged by the same, & the summe or summes vpon him sette to be due towards the paymente of the sayde shuldred, and to be leuyed as hereafter shalbe specified.

And also it is enacted by the same auctorite, that every person, to be taxed at the same taxation as is also sayd, shal be rated & taxed & set & the summe on him set to be leied at such place toger he & his family at the tyme of the same presentment to be made, shal kepe his house or dwelling, or wher he then shalbe most conuenient abydynge and traynant, or shal haue his most resyde, and shalbe best known, at the tyme of the sayd certificate to be made, and no wher els. And that no commissioner for this shuldred shal be rated or taxed for his goodes, or lands, but in the shire & other place wher he shal be commissioner. And that if any person chargeable to this acte the tyme of the sayd assessing, happen to be oute of this reahn, and out of Wales, before from the place wher he shalbe known, then he to be sette wher he was last abydynge in this Realme, or within Wales,

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fioners, and as the place & parties shal conuey, as the particuler
 matters shal require, as the remembrance of al summes of monye,
 taxed and lette of and vpon every person aswel man as woman char-
 geable to this act, householders and al other inhabitants and dwell-
 ers within the said parishes, townes, & places contrybutores to this
 act of subsidy, the authority of which wytyng or edicte, so be-
 lieved, the said officers and other persones so named and deputed
 severally shal have full power and authorities by virtue of this act
 lawfully receyved after the deliverye of the said wytyng or edicte, to
 demaunde, leue and gather of every person therein specified the same
 or summes in the same wytyng or edicte expressed. And for none
 payment thereof to distraine the same persones so persones so be-
 yng behinde by their goodes and cattells. And the distresses so tak-
 ed to kepe by the space of eight dayes at the costes and charges of the
 owner thereof. And if the said owner do not pay such summe of mo-
 ny as shal be taxed by this act within the same eight dayes, then the
 same distresse to be appropried by four, three, or two of the inhabitan-
 tes where such distresse is taken, and also to be sold by the said assa-
 ble and other collectors for the payment of the said monye, and the
 overplus coming of the sale and keepynge thereof if any be, to be im-
 mediately restored to the owner of the same distresse which said offi-
 cers and other persones, so deputed to take, take, gather, and leue
 the said summes, shal answer and be charged for the portion as
 by to them assigned or limited, to be gathered, leued and compyled
 in the said wytyng or edicte to the as is before sayde delivered, to
 the use of our flourragyn Lady the quene's Maestie, and her heires
 and successours. And the said summe in that wytyng or edicte
 expressed to pay vnto the high collectoure or collectors of that place
 for the collection of the same in maner and forme here to folow, ther-
 vnto to be named and deputed; and the same inhabitants and offi-
 cers so gatheringe the same particuler summes, for theyr collection
 thereof shal retaine for every thynge they lynch: so by them receyved
 and payd two pence, and that to be allowed at the payment of their
 collection by them to be made by the high collector or collectors.
 And further be it enacted by the said authority, that the said
 commissioners or the more part of them shal take vnto them the
 execution and helmes of the said commission; that for the same payme-
 nt of the said subsidy, name such sufficient and able persons, which they
 shal have and possesse lands and other hereditaments, in their own
 right of the yeerly value of twenty pounds or goods to the value of
 two hundred markes at the least, and the persones severally by the
 discretions of the same commissioners, in shires, ridings, lathes, wa-
 pentakes, rapes, cityes, townes, corporate, and whatsoever places
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asmel sh in places privileged as without, not being forpassed within
 this act to be high collectors, & have the collection & receipt of & said
 summes set & leivable within & precinct, limit, and bonds tober they
 shalbe so limited to gather and receive. So everi of the which collec
 tois so severally named & sayd commissioners or two of the at & lesse
 shal sh al spede and without delay after the said whole summe of the
 sayd subledye, be set by al the limits of the same they; comission, or in
 such limits as the high collectors shalbe so severally assigned, shal bri
 der their seales, and signes manuel Delyuer one estreate indented in
 perchment to every of the sayd high collectors, comprising in it the
 names of al such persons as were assigned to leup the said perticuler
 summes, & the summes of every hundred, wapentake town, or other
 place aforesaid, with & names & surnames of the persons so chargeable
 accordyng to the estrete so first therof made as is aforesayd, & deliue
 red, & the collectors so to be assigned, shalbe charged to answer & hole
 summe compysed in the sayde estreate limited to his collection as
 is aforesayd. & It is provided alwayes & be it enacted by the authority
 aforesayd that the sayd commissioners having auctorite by this act
 to name & nominate the sayd high collectors of the sayd subledye, shal
 immediatly upon the nomination & election, take by auctorite of
 this present parliament, sufficient recognisances or obligations, w
 out any fee or reward to be payd therof of every person so by the
 to be named to be high collectors, to be bound to the king & quenes
 maiesties, in double summe of the summe of his collection & to be in
 forced & made upon such condicion, that is to say, for the collection of
 the same paymet of the sayd subledye, that if & sayd collector his heires
 or executors do truly contēt & pay to the use of the quenes maiesty,
 her heires or executors, in receipt of the said eschequer befor the said
 xxiii. day of June next coming, so much of the sayd summe of money
 allotted & appoynted to his collection, as he shall collect & gather, &
 contēte & paye the residus of his collection and charge within one
 moneth next after such time as he hath gathered & collected the same
 residue, that then the said recognisances or obligation to be boyd, or
 ells to stand in full strength and vertue, whiche sayd recognisances
 or obligations so taken, the said commissioners shal severally certify
 and deliuer into the king and quenes maiesties eschequer, with the se
 ueral certificates of the sayd tarations and rates of the payments of
 the sayd subledye, at and by the time to the prescribed and appointed,
 by this acte, for the certificate of the taration of the sayd subledye, w
 payne of forfeyture of .x. poundes to the king and quenes maiesties
 for every recognisance or obligatio not certified, & that every such
 collector so elected named and chosen, w
 request to him made shal
 knowlege & make the sayd recognisance or obligatio upon like pain
 of forfeytur of .x. poundes to the king and quenes maiesty for & refusal
 therof. And

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And every such collector so deputed having the said estreate in perche-
met as is aforesaid, shal have authorite by this acte, to appoint daies
and places within the circuit of his collection for the payment of the
sayd sublepy to him to be made, and therof to geve warning by pro-
clamacion or otherwile to al the sayd constables or other persons or
inhabitauntes, having the charg of the perticuler collection within
the hundredes, parishes, towne, or other places by him or they in li-
mitted to make payment for theyr said perticuler collection of every
summe as to them shal appertayne, and if at the sayde day and place
so limitted & prefixed by the said collectoure, the said constable of-
ficer, or other persons or inhabitauntes as is beforesayd, for þ said per-
ticuler collection appoynted & assigned within suche hundred, cite, or
town, or other place, do not pay unto the sayd collectoures the same
within their severall hundredes towne, parishes, & other places due
& cōpyied in the sayd estreate therof to them delivered by the sayde
comissioners or some of them as is aforesayde, or so much therof as
they have by any meanes receyved .ii. d. of every .li. for þ said perticu-
ler collection as is beforesayd, alwayes to be therof allowed, excep-
ted, & abated, & then it shalbe lawefull to the said high collectours, &
every of the, & to theyr assignes, to distraine every of the sayd const-
bles, officers, & other inhabitauntes, for theyr said perticuler collecti-
ons of the sayd summes compyied in the sayde estreate & wrytinge
therof, to them & every of the, as is before expressed, delivered, or for
as much of þ same sum as so the shal happē to be gathered & leuyed, &
be behind & unpaid by the goodes & cattells of every of the, so beinge
behind & the distres to take, to be kept, appraysed, & sold, as is afores-
said & therof to take and leuy the summes so then beinge behind & un-
paid, & the overplus coming of the sale of the said distres if any be, to
be restored & delivered vnto the owner in fourme above remēbred.

Provided alwayes that no person inhabiting in any city borough
or town corporate, shalbe compelled to be an assessor or collectour
of or for any part of the sayd sublepy, in any place or places out of the
sayde city, borough, or towne corporate where he dwelleth.

And it also by the said authorite enacted, þ if any inhabitant or
officer, or whatsoever person or persons charged to and for the collec-
tion or receypt of any parte or portion of the sayd sublepy, by anye
manner of meanes according to this acte, or any person or persons for
the selues, or as keeper, gardian, deputy, factour, or attorney, or for
any other person or persons, of any goodes & cattelles of the owner
thereof at the time of the sayd assellyng to be made, being out of this
realme, or in any other parties not knownen, or of & for the goodes
and cattells of any other person or persons, of anye corporation, fra-
ternitie, mistery, or other whatsoever comynalte, being incorporate
or not incorporate, and al persons having in theyr rule, gouernance
and

and custody any goodes or cattels at the tyme of the said assenting to be made or which for any cause for & by collection, or for him selfe, or for any other, or by reason that he hath the rule, gouernance, or custodie of any goodes or cattels of any other person or persons, corporation, community, or fraternity, guild, or mystery, or any such other like, or as factoure deputy or attorney of or for any person. shalbe rated, rated, valued, & set to any summe or summes by reason of this act, & after the taxation or assenting vpon any such person or personnes, as shalbe charged with the receipt of the same, happen to dye or depart from the place wher he was so rated and set, or his goodes or cattels be so elosed, or in such wyse & covert maner kept as the sayd person or personnes charged with the same, by estreats or other wytynges from the sayd commissioners, or any many of them as shalbe therunto appointed by the commission as is aforesayde, can ne maye leue the same summe or summes compyled within the same estreats by distress within the lymittes of theyr collection as aforesayde, or cannot sel such distress or distresses as be taken for any of the same paymentes, before the tyme lymitted to the high collectour for his payment to be made in the king and Quenes maiesties receipt, then vpon relation thereof made, w^{ch} due examination by the oth or examination of such person or persons, as shalbe charged to or for the receipt or collection of the same before the sayd commissioners, or as many of the as by the sayd commission shalbe therunto appointed, wher such person or persons, or other as is aforesayd, theyr goodes & cattels were set & taxed and vpon playne certificate thereof made in the king & quenes maiesties eschequer by the same commissioners, as wel of the dwelling place names, and summes of the sayde persons of whom the sayd summes cannot be leued and had as is aforesaid, then aswel the constables & other inhabitants apointed for the sayd perticuler collectio against the high collectours, as the high collectour vpon his account and oth in the sayde eschequer to be discharged thereof, and proces to be made for the king and quenes maiesties out of the sayd eschequer by the discretion of the barons of the said eschequer against such person his heires or executors, so being behind in his paymer, and ouer that the same commissioners to whom any such declaration of the premises shalbe made in forme aforesayd, fro tyme to tyme shal haue full power & authority to direct their precept or preceptes vnto the sayd person or persons charged with any summe, or for or vpon any such person or persons or other as is aforesayd, or to anye such sheriff, steward, bailif, or other whatsoeuer officer minister, person or persons of such place or places wher any such person or persons so owing such summe or summes shal haue lands & tenements, or other hereditaments or real possessions, goodes, & cattels wherby any such person or persons so indebted, his heires &

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or assignes or other hauing the custody, gouernance, or disposition, of any goodes cattells, lands, or tenementes, or other hereditamentes which ought or may by this acte lawfully be distrained or taken for the same, hath and shal haue goodes, cattells, landes, tenementes, or other possessions wherof such summe or summes, which by any such personne or personnes maye or ought to be leuied, be it within the li- mites of such commission where such person or personnes was and were tared, or withoute, within anye place within thys Realme of Englande, Wales, or other the queenes shailles dominions, mar- ches or territories, by which precept as wel such person or persons, as shalbe charged to leuy such mony, as the officers of the place or places where such distress may be taken, shal haue full power and authori- ty to distrayne euery such person indebted, charged and chargeable by this acte, or his executours or administratours, of his goodes & cattells, his gardians, factours, deputies, lessees, fermers, & assign- nes, and al other personnes, by whose handes or out of whose lands anye such person should haue rent, fee, annuity, or other piospityte, or whiche at the tyme of the alleasinges shal haue goodes or cattells or anye other thing moueable, or any such person or persons beinge indebted or owing such summe, and the distresses so taken, caused to be kept, appoyled, and sold, in like maner and forme as is aforesaid, for the distresse to be taken vpon such person to be tared to the said subsidy, & being sufficient to distrayne within the limites of the collec- tours, inhabitauntes or other officers, charged with or for the same summes so vpon them to be tared. And yf any such distress for none pai- ment happen to be taken out of the limit of the sayd persons charged & assigned to leuy the same, the person so charged for the leuy of euery such summe by distresse, shal perceyue and take of the said distress for the labour of euery person goyng for, therecution therof, for euery myle that any such person so laboureth for the same two pence, and e- uery fermoure, tenaunte, gardian, factor, or other whatsoever persō, being distrayned or otherwyle charged for paymēt of any such summe or summes or anye other summes by reasonne of thys acte, shalbe of such summe or summes of him or them so leuied and taken, dischar- ged and acquitted at his next day of payment of the same, or at the deliuey of such goods and cattells as he that is so distrayned had in his custody and gouernance agaynst him or them that shalbe tar- ed and sette, any graunte or wytyng obligatoyn or other whatsoe- uer matter to the contrary made heretofore notwithstanding.

And yf any such person that should be so distrayned haue no lan- des or tenementes sufficiente whereby he or his tenauntes and fer- mouers may be distrayned, or both alomed, aliened or bid his goods and cattells wherby he should or might be distrayned, in such maner that

that suche goodes and catteles shal not be knowen or found, so that the summe of or by him to be paid in the said fourme, shal ne canne be conueniently leued, then vpon relation thereof vnto the commissi-
oners, or to as many of them as by the said commissiion shalbe ther vnto appoynted, wher such person or persons was taxed and sette by othes of him or them that shalbe charged wth the leuy and paymet of that summe or summes, the same commissiioners shal make a precept in such maner as is aforesayd, for to attach, take, & arrest the body of such personne or personnes that ought to pay the sayd summes and by this acte shalbe charged wth and for the sayde summe and summes, and the so taken, safely to kepe in prison wythin the Shire or other place, wher anye such person or persons shalbe taken and attached, ther to remaine wout bayle or maynpryse, vntil he haue paid the same summe or summes that such persons for him self or for any other by this act shalbe charged or ought to be charged withal, and also for the fees of every such arrest to him or them that shal execute such precept twente pence, and that every officer vnto whom such precepte shalbe directed, do his true diligence, and execute the same vpon every person so being indebted, vpon paine to forfeit to the king and Quenes maiesties, for every default in that behalfe twenty shillinges and that no keeper of any gayle, from his gayle suffer any such person to go at large by letting to bayle, or otherwise to depart oute of his prison befoze he haue payd his sayd det, and the sayd. xx. d. for the sayd arrest, vpon payne to forfeit to the king & quenes maiesties, forty shillinges, and the same gayler to paye vnto the king & Quenes maiesties, the double value as well of the rate which the said personne so imprisoned was taxed at, as of the sayd. xx. pence for the fees and lyke proceste and remedy in like fourme shalbe graunted by the sayd commissiioners, or as many of the as by the sayd commissiion shal be ther vnto appoynted at lyke informacio of every person or persons, being charged with any summe of money for any other person or persons, by reason of the sayd Subsedye, and not therof payde, but willfully wythdrawe, ne the same leuable wythin the limites wher such persons were ther vnto taxed, and if the summe or summes being behinde vnpayde by any person or persons, as is aforesayde, be leued and gathered by force of the sayd proces to be made by the said commissiioners, or if defaulte or for lacke of paymente thereof, the person or personnes so owyng the said summe or summes of money, by proces of the same commissiioners to be made as is aforesaid, be committed to prison in fourme abovesaid, that then the same commissiioners which shal award such proces shal make certificate thereof in the said eschequer, of that shalbe done in the premises in the terme nexte folowyng, after such summe or summes of money so beyng behinde

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shalbe leuped and gathered, or such person or persones for none payment of the same committed to prisonne. And if it happen any of the sayde collectours to be assigned, or any mayer, sheriffe, steward, constable, the hedborough, householder, bayllif, or any other officer or minister, or other whatsoever person or persons, to disobey the sayd commissioners, or any of them, at the reasonable request to theym made by the sayd commissioners, for execution of the sayd commission, or if any of the officers, or other persons do refuse that to them shal apperayne and belong to do, by reason of any precept to him or them to be dyrected, or any reasonable commaundement, instance, or requeste touching the premises or other default in any appearaunce, or collection to make, or if any person being suspect or not, to be indifferently tared as is also sayd, do refuse to be examined according to the tenour of this act, before the said commissioners, or as many of the as shalbe therunto assigned as is also sayd, or wil not apere before the same commissioners, vpon warning to him made, or els make resistance or requeste vpon any distress vpon him to be take, for any percell of the sayde Subsidy, or committe any misbehauour in any manner of wise contrary to this act or committe any wilful omission or other whatsoever willfull, not doings or misdoing contrary to the tenour of this act or graunt, the same commissioners & every number of them aboue remembred, or two of them at the least, vpon probable knowledge of any such misdoings or misdoings, or examination, shal & may let vpon every such offender for every such offence in name of a fine by the same offender to be forseyted, xl. s. or vnder, by the discretion of the same commissioners. And further the same commissioners & every number of them, or two of the at the least, shal haue authority by this present act, to punish every such offender by imprisonment, ther to remayne and be deliuered by theyr discretio, as shal seme to them conuenient, the sayd fines if any such be, to be certified by the same commissioners that so assessed the same into the king and quenes maiesties eschequer, ther to be leuied and payd by the collectours of that partes for the sayd Subsidy returned into the said eschequer, to be therewith charged with the payment of the sayd Subsidy, in such maner, as if the sayd fines had ben let and tared vpon the sayd offenders for the sayd Subsidy.

It is also enacted by the sayd authority of this parliamente, that every of the sayd high collectours, which shal account for any part of the sayde Subsidy in the sayd Eschequer vpon theyr sayde several accountes to be yeldeb, shalbe allowed at every of the sayd paymentes of the sayd Subsidy, for every pound limited to his collection wherof any such collectoure shalbe charged and yelde accomptes pence, as percell of theyr charge, that is to saye, of euery ponde therof

therof for such persons as then haue had the perticuler collection in the
 towne and other places as is afore sayd, specified in his collection two
 pence, and other two pence of every pounde thereof, eueri of the sayde
 cheife collectours thei accountauntes to retayne to thei owne use
 for thei labour and charge, in and about the premises, and two pence
 of every pounde resydue to be deliuered, allowed, and paid by the sayde
 collectours to beynge thereof allowed, to such of the commissiouners
 as shal take vpon them the busynesse and labour, for and aboute the pre-
 mises, that is to saye, eueri collectour to pay that commissioner or co-
 missiouners which hadde the order pinge of the warrages, of, and for the
 sayd subside, where the sayd collectour or collectours had thei col-
 lection, for expences of the sayd commissioner so taken vpon them the
 sayd busynesse and labour of thei clerkes, wryting the sayde preceptes
 and estreats for the sayd collections, the same last two pence of euery
 pounde to be deuident amongst the sayd commissiouners, hauinge re-
 garde to thei labour and busynesse, taken by thei or thei sayd clerkes
 in and aboute the premises, for the which part so to the commissiouners
 attorning, the sayd commissiouners five, siue, foure, three, or as many of
 them as shalbe therunto appointed by the king and Quenes Maie-
 sties commission, and eueri of them by thei and thei clerkes for thei and
 thei sayd part, may haue his reine by agayn the sayde collectours or
 collectours, which therof be and might haue ben allowed by action of
 debte, in the which benefaunce shal not wage his lawe, neyther pro-
 secution, neither lofunction, or other assigne shal be allowed. And that
 no person nor be being of the number of the compaignie of this present
 parlyamente, nor anye commissiouner, shalbe named or assigned to be
 any collectour or subcollectour, or presentour of the sayd subside, or of
 any parte thereof, nor no commissiouners shal be compelled to make any
 presentment or certificate, other then in the king and quenes Maie-
 sties sayd charter, of, for, or concerning the sayd subside or any parte there-
 of, and likewise that none other person that shalbe named or assigned
 to be commissiouners in any place, to and to, the executis of this act of sub-
 side, be or shalbe assigned or named head collectours of any of the pai-
 mentes of the sayd subside, neither of any parte thereof. And that euery
 such person or persons which shalbe named and appointed as afore-
 said to be head collectours of the sayd subside, or for any parte thereof, is euery
 of the be shalbe acquitted and discharged of al maner fees to warrage, and
 euery other charges in the king and Quenes Maiesties Chiquier, or
 els where, of them or any of them by reason of that collection, paymentes
 or accountes, or anye thinge concerninge the same: so be asked, and
 that if anye personne receiue and take anye fees, rewards, or plea-
 sures of anye such accountauntes, that then he shal forfeit to the king
 and Quenes maiesties, for euery peny or value of peny so taken, twen-

tye pence, and suffre imprisonment at the king and queenes Maisties pleasure, and after the ratinge and sealyng of the sayde Subsidye, as is aforesayde had and made, and the sayde estreates thereof in parchement vnto the collectours in maner and fourme before rehearsed deliuered, the sayde commissioners which shal take vpon theym therecution of thys acte, within the lymittes of the sayd commissyon by the sayd agrementes, shal haue metynge toge ther, at which metynge euerye of the sayd commissioners which then shal haue taken vpon theym the execution of any parte of the sayde commissyon, shal by him selfe, or by hys sufficiente deputie, truly certify and bying forth vnto the sayde commissioners named in the sayde Commissyon, the certificate and presentmente made before hym, and suche other Commissyoners as were lymitted with him in one limit, so that the same certificate maye be accompted and call with the other certificates of the other lymittes with in the same commissyon, and then the sayde commissioners and euery number of them vnto two at the leaste, as is aforesaid, yf anye be in life or the sayd executours or administratours of the sayd goodes, yf they be the deade, shal forntelye and severallye, as they were deuyded wthyn the sayd lymittes, vnder their seales by the sayd discretion, make one or severall writinges, indented, concernynge in it as well the names of the sayde collectours by the commissioners for such collection and account in the exchequer, and paymente in the sayde receypte, deputed and assigned, as the grosse and severall Summes wrytten vnto euerye suche collector to receaue the sayde Subsidye. And also all lynes, amercyamentes, and other forfeitures, yf anye such by reason of thys acte happen to be within the precincte and limite of, the sayd commissyon, to be certified vnto the king and queenes maisties sayde exchequer, by the sayde commissioners, in which writinge or writinges indented soo to be certified, shal be plainly declared and expessed, the hole and entyre Summe or Summes of the sayd Subsidye, severallye lymitted to the collection of the sayde collectoure, severallye deputed and assigned to the collection of the sayde Summes, soo that none of the sayde Collectours soo certified in the sayde Exchequer, shal be compelled there to accompte, or to be charged but one lye to and for the Summe lymitted to his collection, and not to or for anye Summe lymitted to the collection of his felewe, but that euery of them shal be severallye charged for the sayd part lymitted to the sayd collection.

And yf the sayd commissioners forned in one commissyon amongst them selfe in that matter cannot agree, or yf anye of them be not redye or refuse to make certificate with other of the same Commissyoners, Then then the same commissioners maye make severall indentures in fourme aforesayde of the sayd severall lymittes, or separation of Collectours, within the lymittes of the sayd commissyon, vpon and in the hundydes

dyedes, wardes, wapentakes, Lathes, Rapes, or such other lyke diuisions
 within they; sayde seuerall lymittes of they; commysyon, as the
 places there shall requyre, to be seuered and deuyled, & as to the same
 commysioners shal seme good to make deuisions of their limits or col
 lections for the seuerall charges of the same Collectours. Soo that al
 way one Collectoure shalbe charged and accompte for hys parte to
 hym to be limited onely by him selfe and not for any Summe lymp
 ted to the parte of any of his felowes, and the charges of euery of the
 collectours to be set and certified seuerally vpon them, and euery suche
 collectoure, vpon his accompt and paymente of the Summe of money
 lymitted within hys collection to be seuerallye by him selfe, acquyted
 and dyscharged in the sayde eschequer, without payinge anye manner
 fees, or rewarde, to anye personne or personnes for the same vpon
 the payne and penaltie laste abovesayde, and not be charged for anye
 portion of anye other collectoure. And yf anye Commysyoner after he
 hath taken certysfyate of them, that as is aforesayde, shall befoze anye
 suche commysyoner be examined, and the Summes rated and set and
 the boke and wrytynges therof beinge in his handes, or yf anye Col
 lectoure, or other person charged with any receipt of anye parte of the
 sayd subledye, or any other person charged, or other wyle by this act charged
 with and for anye percell of the sayde subledye, or with anye other
 Summes, or tynges, amerciamentes, penaltie, or other forfeyture hap
 pen to dye befoze the Commisioner, Collectoure or other whosoener
 person or personnes haue executed accomplished, satisfied, or sufficient
 ly discharged, that whiche to euery suche personne shal appertayne or
 belonge to doo accordyng to this acte, then the executours and heires
 of euery such person, and al other seled of any landes, or tenementes,
 that anye such person being charged by this act, and decessing befoze
 he be dyscharged thereof, or any other to hys yle, onelye hadde of estate
 of inheritance, at the tyme that anye such personne was named Com
 missioner, collectoure, or other wyle charged with and for anye maner
 of thyng to be done, satisfied, or payde by reasonne of this act, and all
 those that haue in they; possession or handes, anye goodes, or castells
 that were to anye suche personne at the tyme of hys death, or anye lan
 des, or tenementes, that were the same personnes at the tyme he was
 as is aforesayd, charged by this act, shalbe by the same, compelled and
 charged to do and accompysh in euery case as the same person soo be
 yng charged shoulde haue done and myght haue bene compelled to do
 yf he had bene in playne lyfe, after suche rate of the landes, and goodes
 of the sayd commysyoner or collectoure as the partye shall haue in hys
 handes. And yf the sayd Commysyoners for causes reasonable theyr
 mynynges shal thinke it not conuenient to ioyne in one certysfyate as
 is befozesayde, then the sayde person or personnes that shal fynde wyne

together, or he that shal fynd certifie the sayde wyptynge indented (as is aforesayde) shal certifie al the names of the commissioners of that commysyon, wherbyon suche wyptynges shalbe there then to be certified, with the diuision of the hundredes, wapentakes, wardes, tithings or other places, to and amonge suche commissioners of the same commysyon where suche seperations and diuysyon shalbe, with the grosse Summes of monye aswell of and for the sayd Subsidye, taxed or set of or within the sayde hundredes, wardes, wapentakes, or other places, to hym or them deuyded or assigned, that shal soo certifie the sayd fynde wyptyng, as of fynes, amerciamentes, penalties, or other forfeitures, (ysfalle happen to be) within the same lymttes whereof the same wyptynges shalbe certified, and after suche wyptynges indented whych as is aforesayde, shalbe certified, and not containe in it the hole and full Summes set and taxed within the lymttes of the same commysyon, thother commissioners of the same befoze the day of payment of the sayde Subsidye, shal certifie into the sayde eschequer, by theyr wyptyng or wyptynges, indented to be made as is aforesayd, the grosse and seuerall Summes set and taxed within the places, to them lymtted, for the sayde Subsidye, and other fynes, amerciamentes, penalties, and forfeitures, with the names of the hundredes, wardes, wapentakes, and other places, to them assigned, or els by theyr sayd wyptynges indented to certifie at the sayde place befoze the sayd day of payment, suche reasonable causes for theyr excuses, whye they maye not make suche certificate of and for the sayde Subsidye, whiche fynes amerciamentes, and other forfeitures growynge or sette by reason of the causes of their lattes or of their none certifying as is abouesayde, or els in default thereof proces to be made oute of the kyng and quenes maiesties sayde Eschequer, agaynst the sayde Commysyoners, and euery of them not makinge certificate, as is aforesayd, by the dyscretioun of the tresurer or Barons of the sayd eschequer.

Provided alwayes and be it enacted by thanchortite aforesayde, that the inhabytauntes of the Parsh of Saynte Martynne called Stamforde Baron, in the Suburbes of the boroughe and towne of Stamforde, in the South parte of the water there called wellande, whych hereafter shalbe contributoz to the paymente of this presente Subsidye, graunted to the quenes maiestie, her heires and successours shalbe assessed, rated, and taxed for this tyme by suche commysyoners whych shalbe appoynted for the taxynge, ratinge, and sellynge of suche Subsidye or tare within the countye of Lyncolne, and shalbe for this tyme contributoz, and paye the sayde Subsidye to the Collectours or collectours, whych shalbe assigned and appoynted for the leuyng and gatherynge of the same, with the aldermen and burges of the sayd boroughe and towne of Stamforde.

Provided

¶ Provided alwayes and be it enacted by the aucthorpyte aforesayd that all and everye person and persons hauinge manours, landes, tenementes, and other hereditamentes chargeable to the payment of the subtedy graunted to the Quenes Maiestie by this act, and also hauinge spiritual possessions chargeable to her sayde Maiestie, by the graunte made by the cleargye of this Realme, in this their conuocation, and ouer this hauinge substance in goodes, and cattels, chargeable by this sayd act, that then ys any of the sayd person or persons be hereafter charged assessed and taxed for the sayde manours, landes and tenementes, and spiritual possessions, and also assessed, charged and taxed for his or theyr goodes, or cattels, that then he or they shalbe onely charged by vertue of this act, for his and their said manours, landes, tenementes, hereditamentes, or spiritual possessions, or onely for his sayde goodes, and cattels the best therof to be taken for the quenes maiestie and not to be charged for both or double charged for any of them, any thing in this acte conteyned to the contrary in any wyle notwithstanding.

¶ Provided alwayes that this graunt of Subtedy, nor any thing therein conteyned, in any wyle extende to charge the inhabitants, or dwellers within Irelande, Jernesey, and Garmesey, or any of them, of or concerning any manours, landes, tenementes, or other possessions, goodes, cattels, or other moveable substance, whiche the sayde inhabitants or dwellers or any other to their vse haue within Irelande, Jernesey and Garmesey, or in any of theym, or of for or concerning any fees, or wages, whiche any of the sayd inhabitants, or dwellers haue of the kyng and quenes maiesties, for their attendaunce and doynge seruice to our sayd soueraygn Lord and Ladye, in Irelande, Jernesey and Garmesey, or in any of theym, any thing in this present acte, to the contrary in any wyle notwithstanding.

¶ Provided also that this present acte of Subtedy, ne anye thinge therein conteyned extende to any of the Englyshe inhabitants, or residents, in any of the countiees of Northumberland, Cumberlāde, Westmerlande, the towne of Berwyche the towne of Newcastell vpon tyne, and the Bishoppycke of Durham, nor to anye of theym of for or concerning any manours, landes, tenementes, or other possessions, goodes, cattels or other moveable substance, whiche the same Inhabitantes, or dwellers, or any other to their vse haue within the sayd countiees of Northumberland, Cumberlāde, Westmerlande, or the towne of Berwyche, the towne of Newcastell vpon Tyne, or the Bishoppycke of Durham, or any of them, or of for and concerning any fees, or wages whiche any of the sayd Inhabitantes or dwellers haue of the kyng and Quenes Maiesties for their attendaunce and doynge seruice to the kyng and Quenes maiesties for or with

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within the sayd counties of Northumberlande, Cumberland, Westmerlande, the towne of Bartwycke, the towne of Hewerastell upon tyne, and the Bysshopricke of Durham, or anye of them, to or for the sayde tarynge, leuynge, gatherynge or payment, but that the englishe inhabitauntes, and resiauntes, and euery of them, of the sayd counties Bysshopricke, and townes, and euery of them, shalbe of and from the sayd Subledye, and euery percel therof, and for their manoures, landes, tenementes, fees, wages, goodes and cattells, lyng and beynge in the sayd countyes, townes, and Bysshopricke, or anye of the betterlye acquitted and discharged. Any thing in this present act before rehearsed to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided also that all letters patentes, graunted by the kinge or quenes maiestie or anye of her most noble progenitours, to anye Cyties, Burroughes, or townes, wythin this Realme, of any maner lybertyes, priueleges or exemptions from the burden and charge of any such graunt of Subledies, which be at this present time in force and bayleable, shal remayne good and effectuell to the sayd Cyties Burroughes, and townes, hereafter, accordynge to the purpotes therof, though the inhabitauntes of the same shal upon the grete and weyghtye consideration of the graunt aforesayd, be for this graunt charged and contributory, in lyke maner, forme and sort as other Cyties, burroughes, and townes which be not in any wyse privileged, be from such graunt of Subledye excepted.

Provided alwayes and be it enacted by the authoritie aforesaid that no Dyphante or Infant within the age of xxi. yere, borne within any of the quenes maiesties dominions, shalbe charged to any paymente of this Subledye, for his or her goodes and cattelles, to him or her left or bequeathed. Any thing in this act conteyned to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided also that this act nor any thing therein conteyned, shal extend to the goodes or landes of the Colledge, Hall, or Hostel, wythin the vniuersities of Oxenford and Cambridge, or anye of them, or to the goodes or landes of the college of Winton founded by Bysshop Wykeham, or to the goodes or Landes of the college of Eton, next Wyndesore, or to the goodes or Landes, of anye free grammer scoole, within the realme of Englands or Wales, or to the goodes of anye reder, Scholemaster, or scoller, within the sayd vniuersities or colledges, or anye of them, there remainynge for study, without fraude or couyn, or to the goodes and landes of any Hospital, measondome or Spytelhouse prepared and bled for the sustentacyon and reliefe of poore people. Any thing in this acte conteyned to the contrary in any wyse notwithstanding.

Provided also, and be it enacted by the authoritie aforesaid, that

forasmuch as diuers and sondy the kinges and Quenes Maiesties tenants and other inhabitauntes and dwellers both in the countyes of Denbroke, Carmarthen, Cardigan, Glamorgan, Breckenoche, Radnour, Montgomery, Denbigh, Flint, Merioneth, Anglesey, Carnaruan, and of the county palentyne of Chester, bes at this present tyme charged and chargeable with the seueral paymētts of diuers greates summes of money, by the name of Wyke, due to their maiesties according to the seueral customes of the sayd countyes for the payment wherof diuers and sondy the gentlemen and other the inhabitauntes, be, and stand bounden to their highnes. And that also there doo remayne yet vnpayde in diuerse of the sayd dominions and countye palentyne, the Subsidy graunted to the king and quenes maiesties.

Be it therefore ordeyned and enacted by thauthorite aforesaide that this acte of Subsidy, or any thinge therein conteyned, shal not extend to charge any of the king and Quenes tenants and other inhabitauntes and dwellers within any of the sayd countyes of Denbroke, Carmarthen, Cardigan, Glamorgan, Breckenoche, Radnour, Montgomery, Denbigh, Flint, Merioneth, Anglesey, Carnaruan, & the county palentyne of Chester, being charged or chargeable with the sayd Wyke, for, or in any of the paymētts of the sayd Subsidy, graunted to the kyng and Quenes Maiesties by this act, vntyl the seueral dayes and tymes appoynted and agreed for the payment of the sayde Wyke, shalbe expired: And likewise the dayes and times of the sayde subsidy lately graunted to our sayde Soueraygne Lorde and Lady be past and expired. And that then the payment of the said Subsidy graunted by this present acte, shalbe made at the receipt of the kinges and quenes Exchequer, before the fyfth daye of March nexte following, after the dayes appoynted for the latter payment to be made of the sayd mises, and also of the payment of the said former Subsidy.

Furthermoze be it enacted by thautorite aforesaid, that the tenants and dwellers of euery of the sayd countyes in this prouiso, remembred shal seuerally before the feast of Penthecost next ensuyng, certify in the sayd court of eschequer, vnder the seales of two Iustices of peace of euery the saide countyes, wherof one to be of the Quorum, when and what daye the last payment of the sayde seueral mises, now due in any of the sayde countyes shal ende and expyre.

Provided also, that the sayd graunte of Subsidy, or anye other thinge therein conteyned, doo not in any wyse extend to be prejudiciall or hurtfull to the inhabitauntes or resyauntes at this presente tyme, wythin fyue portes, or to anye of their members, incorporate or vnitēd to the same fyue portes, or to any of the same fyue portes. of

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or for any part or parcel of the sayd Summes graunted in this parliament, of the sayd inhabitants now ressaunt, or any of them, to be raised, let, asked, leuied, or payde, but the sayd inhabitants, and ressaunters in the sayd fyue portes, and thei members, be and shalbe, of and from the sayd graunt and payment of the sayd Subsidy during thei ressaunt, ther, and no longer, clerely acquitted and discharged, any matter or whathsoeuer thing in this presente acte hadde or made to the contrary notwithstanding.

God saue the Kinge and Quene.

Excusum Londini

IN AEDIBVS IOHANNIS.

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